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To an Address of the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency, dated t 13th of April, 1853, for Copies of the Grants by the Company of t West Indies, of the Seigniories of Terrebonne and Petite Nation, in about the year 1674; also, of the Grant, by the King of France, of t augmentation of Terrebonne, commonly called Desplaines, in or abo the year 1731; also, of the Despatch of the Comte de Maurepas Messrs. Beauharnois and Hocquart, Governor and Intendant of N France, respectively, under date of the 6th May, 1732, or thereabou confirmatory of the Grant of the Seigniory of Argenteuil; also, of t second Grant, by the King of France, of the Seigniory of Beauharno in or about the year 1750; also, of the Grant, by Messrs. DeBeauh nois and Dupuy, Governor and Intendant of New France respective in or about the year 1727, of a *fief* or augmentation of *fief* in rear the *fief* St. Jean, to the Ladies Ursuline of Three Rivers; also, of t *Brevet* of Ratification, by the King of France, in or about the year 17 of the said last-mentioned Grant; also, of the *Brevets* of Ratificati by the King of France, in or about the years 1718 and 1735 resp tively, of the Grants of the Seigniory of the Lake of Two Mounta and of the augmentation thereof, in favour of the Seminary of Sa Sulpice; also, of the *Mémoire* of the Abbé Couturier, on behalf of t said Seminary, under date of the year 1733 or 1734, in reference the Grant of the said augmentation of Two Mountains, and which referred to on page 25 of the Fourth of the Volumes lately laid bef this House; also, of the *Brevets* of Ratification by the King of Fran of the Grants of the Seigniories of Mille Isles and Rigaud, the augme tation of Berthier, the Seigniory of Noyan, the augmentation LaValtrie, the Seigniories of D'Aillebout and DeRamsay (du Nor the augmentations of Monnoir and Sorel, the augmentation of Lanor and D'Autré, and the Seigniories of St. Hyacinthe, Bleury and Sab vois, respectively; and also, of all other *Brevets* of Ratification of Grants *en fief*, by the King of France, bearing date on or since t 6th day of July, 1711, or such of the above documents as may found in the possession of the Government.

By Order,

A. N. MORIN.

Secretary's Office,
Quebec, 2nd May, 1853.

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Notice.—The copies of documents transmitted, are those specially prayed for by the Address; others are being prepared and will be presented as soon as they are ready.

*Title of Concession of the Seigniory of Petite Nation by the Company of the West Indies in favor of Messire François De Laval, Bishop of Petrea.*

**Dated 16th March, 1674.**

Extract from the French Register of Registrations, Letter C, page 136.

The Company of the West Indies upon the request made to us by Messire François De Laval, Bishop of Petrea, Vicar Apostolic in New France, appointed by the King first Bishop of Quebec, that we should grant and concede to him a lot of land containing five leagues front by five leagues in depth, situate on the Great River St. Lawrence in New France, about forty-two leagues above Montreal, commencing at the Chaudière Falls commonly called Petite Nation, descending the River along the Ottawa road, to hold to the said Lord Bishop and his assigns, in full property, with the right of Seigniorship and jurisdiction over the said land, the Lakes and Rivers, Mines and Minerals which shall be found in the said Concession, as also over the whole breadth of the said River and of the Shoals, Islands and Islets opposite the said Concession, with the right of fishing and hunting throughout its whole extent;

We, the Directors General of the said Company acknowledging how important it is for the welfare and extension of the Colonies of New France, that persons having, like his Lordship the said Bishop, the means of making considerable outlays, should form settlements in the said Country, have in the name of the said Company granted and conceded, and do hereby grant and concede unto His Lordship the said Bishop, the said extent of land, containing five leagues front by five leagues in depth, commencing from the Chaudière Falls commonly called Petite Nation, on the great River St. Lawrence in New France, about forty-two leagues above Montreal, descending by the Ottawa Road; to have and to hold the said land unto His Lordship the said Bishop and his assigns for ever, in full property, with the right of Seigniorship and jurisdiction over the same, and also over the Lakes, Rivers, Mines and Minerals which may be found therein, and even over the entire breadth of the extent of the said River and the Shoals, Islands and Islets within the said five leagues front, of the said Concession, with the right of fishing and hunting throughout its whole extent; for the purpose of which said concession we have revoked and by these presents do revoke all other concessions which may heretofore have been made by us or any others, of the said extent of land or of any portion thereof, provided the same be not at present under cultivation; on the condition that His Lordship the said Bishop or his assigns shall render fealty and homage to the said company, every twenty years at Fort Louis at Quebec, or in this City of Paris, at the office of the Directors General thereof, with a link of gold equivalent to a *louis d'or* worth eleven *livres*, and that all appeals from the jurisdiction shall be directly or immediately had before the Superior Council at Quebec; and in consideration of the said clauses and conditions the said concession shall be held for ever free from all other rights and dues, generally whatsoever; His Lordship the said Bishop shall moreover be bound within four years to commence making clearings upon the said concession, unless he be prevented therefrom by some war or other reasonable cause; and that the boundaries shall be fixed at the two extremities of the said concession upon the River Saint Lawrence by a Surveyor, and none other, failing which the said Company shall have the right of disposing as they shall think fit, of the said lands and of reuniting them to their domain, without any right to His Lordship the said Bishop or any other persons to any indemnity, by reason thereof; on which conditions His Lordship the said Bishop hath accepted.

In testimony whereof we have signed these presents and caused the same to be countersigned by the Secretary General of the said Company, and sealed

with their Arms at Paris, the sixteenth day of May, one thousand six hundred and seventy four.

By the Company,

[Seal.]

(Signed,) BELLINZANI, DAULIER.
(Signed,) DAULIER DESLANDES.

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*Title of Concession of the Seigniory of Terrebonne by the Company of the West Indies, in favor of ths Sieur André Daulier Deslandes.*

Dated 28th December, 1676.

Extract from the French Register of Registrations, Letter B., page 95.

The Company of the West Indies, upon the request made to us by Sieur André Daulier Deslandes, Secretary General of the said Company, that we should grant to him a tract of land containing two leagues in front on the River Jésus, otherwise called the River des Prairies, in New France, commencing on the North Shore of the boundary of the *fief* and land of La Chesnaye, ascending the said river opposite to the *Isle de Jesus*, and two leagues in depth, with the right of property over all Mines and Minerals, Lakes and Rivers which may be found within the said tract, as also of the shoals and Islands of the said River des Prairies, opposite to the lands of the said Concession, and the right of fishing and hunting throughout the whole extent thereof;

We, the Directors General of the said Company, acknowledging how important it is for the welfare and extension of the Colonies of New France, that persons possessed of pecuniary means, and well intentioned, should settle therein, have, in the name of the said Company granted and conceded, and by these presents do grant and concede to the said Sieur Daulier Deslandes, the said tract of land containing two leagues in front upon the River Jésus, otherwise called River des Prairies, in New France, commencing on the north shore at the boundary of the *fief* and land of La Chesnaye, ascending the said River opposite Isle de Jésus, and two leagues in depth, which shall hereafter be called Terrebonne, with the right of property over all Mines and Minerals, and of the Lakes and Rivers which shall be found in the said tract of land, as also of the shoals and islets of the said River des Prairies, opposite the lands of the said Concession, and with the right of fishing and hunting throughout the extent thereof. To have and to hold the said tract of land unto the said Sieur Daulier Deslandes, his heirs and assigns for ever, in full property, with the right of Seigniorship; for the purpose of which Concession we have revoked, and do by these presents revoke all other Concessions which may have been heretofore made by us or by others of the said tract of land, or any part thereof, provided the same be not now under cultivation; on the condition that the said Sieur Daulier Deslandes and his successors shall render fealty and homage to the said Company on each and every change of proprietor, at the Fort of St. Louis of Quebec, or in this City of Paris, at the office of the Directors General of the said Company, with a gold crown, (*escû d'or*) which shall be paid on rendering the said homage, an acknowledgment (*acte*) of which shall be drawn up; and on the further charge and condition that the said Sieur Daulier Deslandes shall, within three years, begin to cause the lands comprised in the said Concession to be brought under cultivation, and the divisions whereof shall be surveyed and bounded within the said space of time; in default of the fulfilment of which conditions the lands contained in the said Concession shall be re-united to the domain of the said Company, who shall be entitled to dispose thereof as they shall think proper; without any right

however, to the said Sieur Daulier Deslandes, or other persons, to any indemnity by reason thereof; all which said conditions the said Sieur Daulier Deslandes hath accepted.

In testimony whereof, we have signed these presents; the same being countersigned by the Secretary General of the said Company and sealed with their arms at Paris, this 23rd day of December, one thousand six hundred and seventy six.

By the Company,

[L. S.]

(Signed,) BELLINZANI, DAULIER,
(Signed,) A. DAULIER DESLANDES.

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*Grant in augmentation of the Seigniory of Terrebonne by His Majesty, in favor of Sieur Louis Lepage de Ste. Claire.*

Dated 10th April, 1731.

Extract from the French Registry of Registration, Letter B., page 97.

On this tenth day of April, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-one, the King being at Versailles, and it having been represented to His Majesty in the name of the Sieur Louis Lepage de Ste. Claire, that since he has acquired in New France the Seigniory of Terrebonne, which had been granted on the twenty-third day of December, one thousand seven hundred and seventy-three, to Sieur Daulier Deslandes, and which contains two leagues in front on the River Jésus, commencing on the north shore at the boundary of the La Chesnaye lands, extending upwards by two leagues in depth, he has expended considerable sums of money both for the clearing of the lands which he has settled or caused to be settled upon within the limits of the said Seigniory, and for the grist and saw mills, and for the churches which he has caused to be erected therein. That he has entered into an agreement by which he has engaged to furnish His Majesty with boards and planks of oak and pine, and which agreement he has completely executed up to this present time, notwithstanding the heavy expenses, in consequence of the road which it became necessary for him to make to the very depths of the forest, in order to get out timber fit and proper for the making of the said boards and planks; that besides, in order to carry out His Majesty's intentions, and to induce the inhabitants of the said country to apply themselves to occupations productive of advantage to the Colony, he has undertaken to make pitch and tar, which requires a further and abundant supply of wood; that the settlements which he has hitherto founded or caused to be founded by his tenants, have considerably diminished the woods upon which he depended for the sawing, and for other contracts into which they have entered, so that he would find himself in a very short time incapable of fulfilling his engagements; and that for these reasons he did petition the Marquis de Beauharnois, Governor and Lieutenant General, and the Sieur Hocquart, Commissioner *ordonnateur*, discharging the duties of Intendant in the said Country, to grant to him an extension of three leagues of land in depth, and along the whole frontage of his said Seigniory; but as the said Sieurs Beauharnois and Hocquart have merely authorized him provisionally to extend his settlement to the depth of two leagues beyond that of the said Seigniory, in order to procure timber therefrom, and to make the necessary roads thereon, he most humbly prays His Majesty to grant him the said tract of land as his property and Seigniory; and being desirous of granting the said prayer, and of enabling the said Sieur Lepage de Ste. Claire to keep up settlements which cannot but be of the greatest advantage for the Colony, His Majesty hath granted, given, and conceded

to him a tract of two leagues of the unconceded lands in depth, and along the whole front of his said Seigniory of Terrebonne ; to have and to hold the same unto himself, his heirs and assigns, as their property, and subject to the same rights which are attached to his said Seigniory, and to the same dues, clauses and conditions with which it is charged ; and His Majesty's pleasure is, that the present Letters Patent be registered in the office of the Superior Council of Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when necessary ; and in testimony of his pleasure, I am commanded by His Majesty to issue the said Letters Patent which he hath been pleased to sign, and to order the same to be countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.
" PHELYPEAUX.

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*Despatch from the Count de Maurepas to MM. de Beauharnois and Hocquart, in relation to the grant of the Seigniory of Argenteuil.*

Dated the 6th May, 1732.

Extract from the French register of registrations — letter E, page 104.

EXTRACT from the letter of Monsieur le Comte de Maurepas, written to Messrs. de Beauharnois and Hocquart, Governor General and Intendant in New France, dated at Compiègne, the sixth of May, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-two.

GENTLEMEN,

I received the letter which you wrote me on the 21st of October of last year, with the papers accompanying it, relating to the contestation between the Seminary of St. Sulpice and the Dame d'Argenteuil. Upon the statement which I made of the whole to the King, His Majesty has been pleased to leave to the Dame d'Argenteuil the enjoyment of the Seigniory in question, in conformity with the straight line of division determined by the decree of the Superior Council of Quebec, of the fifth of October, 1722, on the condition that she shall settle thereupon, that she shall not draw to it the trade of the Indians, and that she shall not prejudice the advancement of religion. You will be careful to explain to her the intentions of His Majesty and see that they are executed.

I am,
Gentlemen, &c.,

(Signed,) MAUREPAS,
True Copy. (Signed,) HOCQUART.

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*Second grant of the Seigniory of Beauharnois by His Majesty, in favor of Sieur de Beauharnois.*

Dated the 14th June, 1750.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun., Letter 1, folio 18.

This day, the fourteenth of June, one thousand seven hundred and fifty, His Majesty the King being at Compiègne, and feeling satisfied with the services rendered him by the Sieur de Beauharnois, Lieutenant in the Navy, and wishing to favor his scheme of forming a considerable settlement which would be of advantage to those of his subjects who would be desirous of going and settling there, His Majesty hath made him a grant of six leagues in front by six leagues in depth, north east and south east, adjoining the Seigniory of

Chateauguay, along the River St. Lawrence, with the adjacent Isles and Islands, to hold to the said Sieur de Beauharnois, his heirs and assigns, for ever, as their own property (*comme de leur propre*), as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting and fishing, and other seigniorial rights, without being required by reason thereof to pay to His Majesty, or the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same, to whatever sum they may amount; the said concession to bear the name of "Villechauve"; on condition that fealty and homage shall be rendered at the Castle of St. Louis, at Quebec, of which it shall be held, subject to the ordinary rights and dues when the same may accrue, according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; on the condition, also, that he shall preserve and cause his tenants to preserve the oak necessary for the building of His Majesty's vessels; that he shall disclose to His Majesty, or the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be, throughout the extent of the said concession; that the appeals from the judge who shall be appointed at the said place, shall be had before the royal jurisdiction at Montreal; that he shall keep and cause his tenants to keep house and home thereon (*tenir feu et lieu*) in default of which it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that he shall clear and cause the said land to be cleared immediately; that he shall leave the necessary roads for the public use; that he shall leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such part as he shall require for his own fishery. And in case His Majesty should hereafter require any part of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, His Majesty may take the same, as well as the trees which may be necessary for the said public works, and the firewood for the Garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor, the whole in virtue of the present letters patent which shall be enregistered at the Office of the Superior Council of Quebec, and, as a guarantee of his will and pleasure His Majesty hath been pleased to sign these with his hand, and to order the same to be countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands, and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, (Signed,) ROUILLÉ.

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*Grant in Augmentation of the Fief St. Jean, in favor of the Nuns of Three Rivers.*

Dated the 18th April, 1727.

*It is not to be found here, the confirmation, only, is produced.*

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*Ratification of a grant in Augmentation to the Fief St. Jean, to the Nuns of Three Rivers.*

Dated the 24th March, 1733.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun., letter G, folio 42.

This day, the twenty-fourth of March, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-three, the King, being at Versailles, and being desirous of confirming and ratifying the Grant made by the Sieurs de Beauharnois, Governor and Lieutenant General of His Majesty in New France, and Dupuy, Intendant of the said country, of the eighteenth of April, one thousand seven hundred and twenty-seven, to the Ursuline Nuns of the Town of Three Rivers, of a lot of ground situate in the said country, His Majesty hath confirmed and ratified the said Grant, it being his will and pleasure that the said Nuns and

their assigns shall, for ever, enjoy as their own property (*comme de leur propre*), as a fief and seigniory, with the right of hunting and fishing throughout the extent of the said concession, but merely with that of inferior jurisdiction, the track of land granted them by the said concession, adjoining, on the north east, the Fief of the Rivière du Loup, belonging to the said Nuns, and on the south west side, the Fief of S. Sicard, containing about three quarters of a league in front, by a depth of three leagues, without being obliged, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or the Kings, his successors, any money or indemnity, His Majesty having been pleased to remit the same to whatever sum they might amount; on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis, at Quebec, of which the said Fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues, according to the Custom of Paris, and that the appeals from the judge who shall be established there shall lie before the Royal jurisdiction of Three Rivers; on the condition, also, that they shall preserve and cause their tenants to preserve the oak necessary for the building of His Majesty's vessels; that they shall disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendants of the said country, the mines, mining places and minerals, if any there be throughout the extent of the said concession; that they shall improve it, and keep keep and cause their tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be re-united to His Majesty's domain; that they shall leave the necessary roads for the public utility, and also leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such part thereof as they may require for their own fisheries; and, in case His Majesty should hereafter require any parts of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works, and the firewood for the Garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor: His Majesty's pleasure being that the said concession shall be subject to the conditions hereinabove set forth, without any exception whatsoever, on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said concession, and that the present letters patent be enregistered in the Office of the Superior Council of Quebec, in order that recourse may be thereto had when necessary. And, in testimony of his pleasure, His Majesty hath ordered me to prepare the present Letters Patent which he hath signed with his hand and ordered the same to be countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down. (Signed,) PHELYPEAUX.

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*Grant by the King, in ratification of the Seigniory of the Lake of the Two Mountains, in favor of the Gentlemen of the Seminary of St. Sulpice.*

Dated, 27th April, 1718.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun., letter E, folio 30.

This day, the twenty-seventh of April, one thousand seven hundred and eighteen, the King being at Paris, and being desirous of shewing favor to the Ecclesiastics of St. Sulpice, established at Paris, upon whom depend the Ecclesiastics of the Seminary of St. Sulpice, established at Montreal, to whom the Sieur de Vaudreuil and Begon, Governor and Lientenant General and Intendant in New France, did grant by concession, dated the seventeenth of October, one thousand seven hundred and seventeen, a lot of land containing three leagues and a half in front by three leagues in depth, for the purpose of transferring thereto the mission of the Indians of the Sault au Récolet, which is under their care, under the charges, clauses and conditions

stated in the said concession, which His Majesty hath had explained to him, and which he wishes to confirm in favor of the Ecclesiastics of the Seminary of St. Sulpice at Paris, and subject only to the charges, clauses and conditions which may be expressly mentioned in the present letters patent, His Majesty, by and with the advice of the Duke of Orleans, the Regent, hath given and conceded, by the present letters patent, to the Ecclesiastics of the Seminary of St. Sulpice, established at Paris, the lot of land containing three leagues and a half in front. commencing at the stream which falls into the great bay of the Lake of the Two Mountains, and ascending along the Lake and the River St. Lawrence, by three leagues in depth; the said land being described in the said concession of the seventeenth of September, one thousand seven hundred and seventeen, for the purpose of transferring thereto the mission of the said Indians of the Sault au Récolet, to have and to hold the said Ecclesiastics, their successors and assigns, even in case the said mission should be removed therefrom; in full property as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, and the right of hunting and fishing, as well in the interior as upon the front of the said concession. The said concession being made on the condition that they shall pay all the expenses necessary for the removal of the mission of the Sault au Récolet, and that they shall also build, at their own cost, a church and a stone fort, for the security of the Indians, to be erected according to plans which they shall submit to the Governor and to the Intendant of New France, and shall afterwards send them together with their opinion thereon, to the Council of Marine, to be reported upon to His Majesty for his further pleasure. Which said works they shall be bound to complete within seven years, and on condition that the Ecclesiastics of the said Seminary, their successors and assigns, shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis, at Quebec, of which the said land is held, subject to the rights and customary dues according to the custom of the Prévosté and Vicomté of Paris followed in New France, and that the appeals from the Judge who shall be established at the said place, shall lie before the Judges of the Royal Jurisdiction of Montreal; that they shall keep or cause to be kept house and home (*tenir feu et lieu*) upon the said concession; that they shall preserve the oak timber fit for the construction of ships, which may be found upon the land which the Ecclesiastics of the said Seminary may reserve for their principal manor, and that they shall be held to make a reserve of the said oak throughout the concessions which they have made or may make to their tenants, which timber His Majesty may appropriate to himself without paying any indemnity; that they shall disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of New France, the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be, throughout the extent of the said fief; that they shall leave the necessary roads or passages, that they shall concede such lands as are covered with forest at the mere rent of twenty *sols* and one capon for each arpent of land in front by forty in depth, and sixpence (*six deniers*) of *cens*, and they shall not mention in the said concession any sum of money or any other charge, except the mere rent; His Majesty doth nevertheless allow them to sell or grant at higher rates those lands upon which there is one quarter cleared, and it is his will that the present letters patent be enregistered at the Superior Council of Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when necessary; and in testimony of his will, His Majesty hath commanded me to prepare the present Letters Patent, which he hath signed with his hand, and ordered the same to be countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, " PHELIPEAUX.

With a flourish.

*Ratification of the Augmentation of the Seigniory of the Lake of the Two Mountains, in favor of the Gentlemen of the Seminary of St. Sulpice.*

Dated the 1st of March, 1735.

Extract from the register ins. sup. counc. letter G, folio 12.

This day, the first of the month of March, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-five, the King being at Versailles, and having had before him the grant made on the twenty-sixth of September, in the year one thousand seven hundred and thirty-three, to the Ecclesiastics of the Seminary of St. Sulpice at Paris, by the Marquis of Beauharnois, Governor and Lieutenant General for His Majesty, and the Sieur Hocquart, Intendant of New France, of an extent of land situate in the said country, comprised between the line of the Seigniory belonging to the representatives of the late Sr. de Langloiserie and Petit, and that of the seigniory called the Seigniory of the Lake of the Two Mountains, belonging to the said Seminary, by a frontage of about two leagues upon the said lake, the said land abutting to an angle formed by the above two lines, with the unconceded isles and islands and adjacent shoals; and having also had before him the letters patent of the twenty-seventh of April, one thousand seven hundred and eighteen, by which he granted to the same Seminary the said seigniory, called the Seigniory of the Lake of the Two Mountains; and His Majesty being desirous of shewing favor to the said Ecclesiastics of St. Sulpice of Paris, by confirming and explaining where the same was necessary, the said concession of the twenty-seventh of September, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-three, hath ratified and confirmed the said concession, it being his will that the said Ecclesiastics, their successors and assigns, shall enjoy the same for ever, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of fishing, hunting and trading with the Indians throughout the said Seigniory, under the charges, clauses and conditions hereinafter named, to wit: that the rhumb line of the said land shall run, in its depth, south by a quarter south west, and north by a quarter north east, instead of south west quarter north east, as stated erroneously in the deed of concession issued by the said Sieur de Beauharnois and Hocquart; that the said Ecclesiastics, their successors and assigns, shall be bound to pay fealty and homage to His Majesty, upon each new accession to the throne, and also furnish a fresh land-roll at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the same shall be held, according to the custom of Paris followed in New France, without their being obliged, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings, his successors, any mortmain dues or other sums of money for any reason whatever, nor for the property granted to them along the said Lake of the Two Mountains by the letters patent of the twenty-seventh of April, one thousand seven hundred and eighteen, or to furnish any substitute, on account of the said concession, from all which His Majesty hath expressly discharged and doth discharge them, by these presents wherever the same may be necessary; that His Majesty shall, at all times, take the oak that may be found fit for his use upon the said conceded lands without paying anything therefor; that the said Ecclesiastics, their successors and assigns, shall disclose to His Majesty or to the Governor and Intendant of New France, the mines, mining places and minerals, if any there be throughout the extent of the said concession; that the appeals from the judge who shall be established at the said place, shall lie before the royal jurisdiction of Montreal; that they shall also be bound, within a year and a day, to keep or cause their tenants to keep house and home (*tenir feu et lieu*) thereon, in default of which it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that they shall immediately clear the said land and have it cleared; that they shall leave the King's highways and other roads that may be found necessary for the public use upon the said concession; and that they shall insert a like condition in the deeds of concession they may grant to their tenants, which must be given at the same rate of *cens* et

*rentes* and dues for each arpent of land, as are paid in the adjoining seigniories, always taking into consideration the quality and situation of the lands at the time of the making of such individual grants; and it is the will of His Majesty that the same conditions be observed in relation to the lands and estates of the Seigniory of the Lake of the Two Mountains, belonging to the said Ecclesiastics, notwithstanding that the rents and dues, and the quantity of land given by each concession mentioned on the said Letters Patent of one thousand seven hundred and eighteen have been settled upon, all which His Majesty hath disallowed. And as the said Ecclesiastics of Saint Sulpice have represented to him that the removal of the Indian Mission from the Island of Montreal to the Lake of the Two Mountains, the stone church, the presbytery and wooden fort which they had built there, had entailed an expenditure exceeding, by a great deal, the value of the lands granted them by the present Letters Patent and by those of the year one thousand seven hundred and eighteen; that it would be impossible for them to have a stone fort built there as they are obliged to do by the present Letters Patent, inasmuch as this stone fort would be useless on account of the widow of the Sieur D'Argenteuil occupying the ground at the head of the other concessions where it was intended to build the fort in question, for the safety of the country; and, finally, that the Indians of the Mission of the said Lake of the Two Mountains being frequently in the habit of changing their place of habitation, it would be necessary, on that account and so as to render the land more useful, to be able to extend beyond the three leagues in depth mentioned in the Letters Patent of the year one thousand seven hundred and eighteen, the land granted by the present Letters Patent, adjoining that of the Sieurs Petit and Langloiserie, and having little depth, His Majesty hath exempted and doth exempt the said Ecclesiastics of St. Sulpice from building the stone fort in question, or making any other works than those they have already erected upon the land so conceded in seventeen hundred and eighteen, to which he hath been pleased to add three leagues in depth if the same should be unoccupied, of which he doth also make a gift and concession to the said Ecclesiastics of St. Sulpice of Paris, who shall possess the same by all right of ownership and as a seigniory, together with the land given by the first concession, which, by this means, shall be five leagues in depth, it being His Majesty's will that the said concessions be subject and confined to the same conditions as those above mentioned, without any exception upon pretence that they may not have been stipulated, both in the said concession of the year one thousand seven hundred and thirty-three and in the said Letters Patent of the seventeenth of April, one thousand seven hundred and eighteen; and, in testimony of his will, His Majesty hath commanded me to issue the present Letters Patent which shall be enregistered at the Superior Council of Quebec, so that access thereto may be had when requisite, and which he has been pleased to sign with his hand, and to order the same to be countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, (Signed,) PHELIPEAUX, with a flourish.

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*Memorial of the Abbé Couturier, relating to the Augmentation of the Seigniory of the Lake of Two Mountains.*

Dated the 1733 or 1734.

*Not to be found here.*

*Ratification of the Concession of the Seigniory of the Thousand Islands, in favor of the Sieur Petit and of Miss DuGué, widow of Gaspard Piot de Langloiserie, and their children.*

Dated the 5th of May, 1716.

Extract from the French register of enregistrations — letter B, page 549.

This fifth day of May, one thousand seven hundred and sixteen, the King, being at Paris, and wishing to confirm and ratify, in favor of the Sieur Petit, Treasurer of the Navy in Canada, and of Miss DuGué, widow of the Sieur Gaspard Piot de Langloiserie, King's Lieutenant in the Government of New France, and of the children issue of their marriage, the grant made by the Marquis of Vaudreuil and the Sr. Begon, Governor General and Intendant of New France, on the fifth of March, one thousand seven hundred and fourteen, in the name of His Majesty, in favor of the said late Sieur Delangloiserie, and of the said Sr. Petit, of a lot of land in the said country, His Majesty, by the advice of the Duke of Orleans, the Regent, hath confirmed and ratified the said grant, it being his will that the said Sieur Petit and the widow Delangloiserie, together with the children issue of her marriage with the said late Sieur Delangloiserie, their heirs and assigns, shall enjoy the same as their own property, for ever, (*comme de leur propre*) as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, with the right of hunting and fishing throughout the extent of the said concession, without being required, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty or to the Kings, his successors, any money or indemnity, His Majesty being pleased to remit the same, to whatever sum they may amount, on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which it shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues; on the condition, also, that they shall preserve, and cause their tenants to preserve, the oak timber fit for the construction of His Majesty's vessels; that they shall disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places and minerals, if any there be throughout the extent of the said concession; that the appeals from the judge who shall be established there, shall lie before the Royal Jurisdiction of Montreal; that they shall keep and cause their tenants to keep house and home (*tenir feu et lieu*) thereon, in default of which it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that they shall clear the said land and cause it to be cleared; that they shall leave the roads necessary for the public use, and also that they shall leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts as they may require for their own fisheries; and, in case His Majesty should hereafter require any part of the said land for the purpose of building forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works thereon, His Majesty may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the garrison of the said forts, without being obliged to pay any indemnification therefor, His Majesty's pleasure being that the said concession shall be subject to the conditions hereinabove set forth, without any exception whatsoever, on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said concession, and that the present Letters Patent be enregistered in the Office of the Superior Council at Quebec, so that recourse may be had thereto when requisite. And, in testimony of his will, His Majesty hath commanded me to prepare the said Letters Patent, which he hath signed with his hand, and ordered the same to be countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.
(Countersigned,) PHELYPEAUX.

*Ratification of the concession of the Seigniory of Rigaud, in favor of the Sieurs de Vaudreuil de Cavagnial and Rigaud de Vaudreuil.*

Dated the 7th April, 1733.

Extract from the register ins. sup. cons.—letter G, folio 33.

This seventh day of April, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-three, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grant made by the Sieurs de Beauharnois, Governor and Lieutenant General of the King in New France, and the Sieur Hocquart, Intendant of the said country, on the twenty-ninth of October, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-two, in favor of the Sieurs de Vaudreuil de Cavagnial, then Major in the troops of the said country, and at present Governor of Three Rivers, and Rigaud de Vaudreuil, his brother, Captain in the said troops, of a lot of land containing three leagues in front by three leagues in depth, situate in the same Colony, along the river called the Grand River, extending towards the Long Sault, and adjoining the Seigniory called Rigaud, coming to the said Sieurs de Vaudreuil by inheritance from their father, the Marquis of Vaudreuil, Governor and Lieutenant General in the said country, His Majesty hath confirmed and ratified the said grant, it being his will that the said Sieurs de Vaudreuil, their heirs and assigns, shall enjoy the same for ever, as their own property, (*comme de leur propre*), as a fief and seigniory, with superior and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said seigniory, without being obliged, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings, his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty being pleased to remit the same, to whatever sum they may amount, on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues, according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country, and that the appeals from the judge who shall be established there, shall lie before the Royal Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition, also, that they shall preserve and cause their tenants to preserve the oak fit for the building of His Majesty's vessels; that they shall leave the necessary roads; that they shall disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, all mines, mining places and minerals, if any there be throughout the extent of the said concession; that they shall improve it, and keep or cause their tenants to keep house and home thereon, (*tenir feu et lieu*), in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that they shall leave the roads necessary for the public utility, and also that they shall leave the beaches free to all fishermen, with the exception of such parts as they may require for their own fisheries; and, in case His Majesty should require any portion of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works, and the firewood for the garrisons of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor, His Majesty's pleasure being that the said concession shall be subject to the conditions above stated, without any exception whatever upon pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said concession. And, in testimony of his will, His Majesty hath ordered me to prepare the present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the Office of the Superior Council of Quebec, so that recourse may be had thereto when necessary, and hath signed them with his own hand, and ordered the same to be countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, (Signed,) PHELYPEAUX.

*Ratification of the Augmentation of the Seigniory of Berthier, in favor of the Sieur de Lestage.*

Dated the 6th of April, 1734.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun., Letter G, folio 46.

This day, the sixth of April, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-four, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grant made by the Sieurs de Beauharnois, Governor and Lieutenant General for His Majesty in New France, and the Sr. Hocquart, Intendant of the said country, on the thirty-first of December, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-two, in favor of the Sieur Pierre Lestage, a Merchant of Montreal, of a lot of land containing three leagues in front, if such an extent should be found between the line separating the Fief of Dautré from the one heretofore called Comporté, and at present named Dorvilliers, and the one dividing the Fief du Chicot from the Fief Maskinongé, the said front to commence at the end of the depth and limits of the said Fiefs Dorvilliers and du Chicot, between which is situate the Fief of Berthier, by three leagues in depth, together with the rivers, streams and lakes which may be found upon the said extent of land, which shall be united and joined to the said Fief of Berthier, belonging to the said Sieur de Lestage, so that they may form one and the same Seigniory, His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said concession, it being his will that the said Sieur Lestage, his heirs and assigns, should enjoy the same for ever, as their own property, (*comme de leur propre*), as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, and the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said seigniory, without being obliged, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty being pleased to remit the same, to whatever sum they may amount, on condition that he shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country, and that the appeals from the judge who shall be established shall lie before the Royal Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition, also, that he shall preserve and cause his tenants to preserve the oak timber fit for the building of His Majesty's vessels; that he shall disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places and minerals, if any there be throughout the extent of the said concession; that he shall improve it, and keep and cause his tenants to keep house and home thereon, (*tenir feu et lieu*), in default of which it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that he shall leave the roads necessary for the public use, and that he shall also leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts as he may require for his own fisheries; and, in case His Majesty should hereafter require any part of the said land for the purpose of building forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor, His Majesty's pleasure being that the said concession shall be subject to the conditions hereinabove set forth, without any reserve whatsoever, on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said concession. And, in testimony of his will, His Majesty hath ordered me to prepare the present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the Office of the Superior Council of Quebec, so that recourse may be had thereto whenrequisite, and he hath been pleased to sign the same with his own hand, and to order the same to be countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, " PHELYPEAUX.

*Ratification of the Grant of the Seigniory of Noyan, in favor of the Sieur Chavoy de Noyan.*

Dated the 25th March, 1745.

Extract from the register ins. Sup. Coun. letter K, folio 12.

This day, the twenty-fifth of March, one thousand seven hundred and forty-five, the King being at Versailles, and being desirous of confirming and ratifying a grant made on the eighth of July, one thousand seven hundred and forty-three, by the Marquis of Beauharnois, Governor and Lieutenant General of New France, and the Sieur Hocquart, Intendant of the said country, to the Sieur Chavoy de Noyan, Captain of a company of the detachment of Marines maintained in this country, of a lot of land of two leagues in front, along the River Chambly, by three leagues in depth, bounded towards the north at a quarter of a league to the north of the Little River du Sud, by a line running east and west; towards the south side, ascending Lake Champlain, by one league and three quarters from the said river, joining the land conceded to the Sieur Foucault, by a line parallel to the one above described, with the Isle aux Testes which is in the said Chambly River, together with the isles and islands which may be opposite the front of the said concession, to be held by him as a fief and seigniory; His Majesty hath confirmed and ratified the said concession, it being his will and pleasure that the said Chavoy de Noyan, his heirs and assigns, shall for ever enjoy the said lands as their own property, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said Seigniory, according to and in conformity with the said concession, without being obliged, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty being pleased to remit the same to whatever sum they may amount, on condition that he shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said Fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues, according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country, and that the appeals from the judge who shall be established there shall lie before the Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition, also, that he shall preserve and cause the tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's vessels; that he shall disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places and minerals, if any there be in the said Seigniory; that he shall improve it and cause his tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that he shall leave the roads necessary for the public utility, and also that he shall leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as he may require for his own fisheries; and in case His Majesty should hereafter require any parts of the said land for the purpose of building forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines or other public works thereon, he may take possession of the same, together with the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and the firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being held to pay any compensation therefor; His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions hereinabove set forth, without any exception under pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And, in testimony of his will, His Majesty hath ordered me to prepare the present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the Office of the Superior Council at Quebec; and he hath been pleased to sign the same with his own hand, and to order them to be countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, "PHELIPPEAUX."

*Ratification of the Augmentation of the Seigniory of La Valterie, in favor of the Sieur Pierre Marganne de La Valterie.*

Dated the 8th of February, 1735.

Extract from the register ins. sup. Coun., letter G, folio 87.

This day, the eight of February, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-five, the King, being at Marly, and being desirous of confirming and ratifying the grant as a seigniory, made on the twenty-first of April, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-four, by the Marquis of Beauharnois, Governor and Lieutenant General of His Majesty in New France, and the Sieur Hocquart, Intendant of the said country, in favor of the Sieur Pierre de Marganne de Lavaltrie, eldest son, Lieutenant in the troops of the said country, of one league and one half of land in front, by two leagues and a half in depth, at the end of the depth and limits of the Fief de Lavaltrie, which is one league and one half in depth, the said prolongation to be at the back of the depth of the said Fief de Lavaltrie, and to form but one and the same seigniory, which, by this means, will be one league and a half in front, by four leagues in depth, His Majesty hath confirmed and ratified the said concession, it being his will that the said Sieur de Lavaltrie, the younger, his heirs and assigns, shall enjoy the same, for ever, as their own property, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians through the extent of the said Seigniory, without being obliged, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or the Kings his successors, any indemnity, His Majesty having been pleased to remit the same to whatever sum it might amount, on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said Fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said and that the appeals from the judge who shall be established there shall lie before the Royal Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition, also, that they shall preserve and cause their tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's ships; that they shall disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be in the said concession; that they shall improve it, and keep and cause their tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that they shall leave the necessary roads for the public utility, and also that they shall leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as they may require for their own fisheries; and in case His Majesty should hereafter require any part of the said lands for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works thereon, His Majesty may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor; His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions hereinabove set forth, without any exception, on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And, in testimony of his will, His Majesty hath commanded me to prepare these Letters Patent, which shall be registered in the Office of the Superior Council at Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when requisite; His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same with his own hand, and to order them to be countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, " PHELIPPEAUX.

*Ratification of the Grant of the Seigniory of D'Aillebout, in favor of the Sieur Jean D'Aillebout D'Argenteuil.*

Dated the 30th April, 1737.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun., letter H, folio 49.

This day, the thirtieth of April, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-seven, the King being at Versailles, and having examined the petition presented to him by the Sieur Jean D'Aillebout d'Argenteuil, praying that His Majesty would be pleased to confirm and ratify a grant made to him on the tenth of October of the year last past, by the Marquis of Beauharnois, Governor and Lieutenant General of New France, and the Sieur Hocquart, Intendant of the said country, of a lot of land of one league and a half in front, by four leagues in depth, behind the Seigniory of Lanoraye, to be bounded on its front by the north side of the Assomption River, on the south side by the line of the continuation of the Seigniory of la Valterie, on the other side, to the north east, by a parallel line adjoining the unconceded lands, and, in depth, by a line parallel to the front line, also adjoining the unconceded lands, the whole as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the whole extent of the said concession; His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said concession; in consequence whereof it is his pleasure that the said Sr. D'Aillebout d'Argenteuil, his heirs and assigns shall, for ever, enjoy, as their own property, (*comme de leur propre*), the said lands as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, with the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said Seigniory, according to and in conformity with the said grant, without being required, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having being pleased to remit the same to whatever sum they might amount, on condition that he shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said Fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country, and that the appeals from the judge who may be established there shall lie before the Royal Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition, also, that they shall preserve and cause their tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's vessels; that they shall disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places and minerals, if any there be in the said Seigniory; that they shall improve it and keep and cause their tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that they shall leave the necessary roads for the public utility, and also that they shall leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as they may require for their own fisheries; and in case His Majesty should hereafter require any part of the said lands for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor; His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions hereinabove set forth, without any exception whatever on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And, in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, he hath commanded me to prepare the present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the Office of the Superior Council of Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when requisite; His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same with his own hand, and to order them to be countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, (Signed,) PHELYPEAUX.

*Ratification of the grant of the Seigniory of Ramezay in favor of Dame Geneviève Ramezay, widow Boishébert.*

Dated the 13th April, 1740.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun., letter H, folio 73.

This day, the thirteenth of April, one thousand seven hundred and forty, the King being at Versailles, and being desirous of granting the prayer of the petition presented to him by Dame Geneviève de Ramezay, widow of the Sr. de Boishébert, captain of a company of the troops maintained in Canada, to the effect that His Majesty would be pleased to confirm and ratify a grant made to her on the sixth of October, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-six, by the Marquis of Beauharnois, Governor and Lieutenant-General of New France, and the Sr. Hocquart, Intendant of the said country, of a lot of land of one league and a half in front, by four leagues in depth, behind the Seigniory of Dautré, bounded in front by the north bank of the Assomption River, on the south-west side by the line of the concession lately granted to the Sieur d'Aillebout d'Argenteuil, on the other side, to the north-east, by a parallel line adjoining the prolongations of the Seigniory of Antaya, and in depth by a line parallel to the front line, also adjoining the unconceded lands; the whole as a Fief and Seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of fishing in the Assomption River, and hunting and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said concession. It is therefore his pleasure that the said widow Boishébert, her heirs and assigns, shall forever enjoy the said lands as a Fief and Seigniory, according to and in conformity with the said grant, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, and the right of fishing in the Assomption River, hunting and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said Seigniory, without being bound, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty being pleased to remit the same to whatever sum they may amount; on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris, followed in the said Country; that the appeals of the Judge who shall be established there, shall lie before the Royal Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition also that they shall preserve and cause their tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's vessels; that they shall disclose to His Majesty or to the Governors and Intendant of the said Country, the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be in the said Seigniory; that they shall improve it, and cause their tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that they shall leave the roads necessary for the public utility, and also that they shall leave the beaches free to all fisherman, except such parts thereof as they may require for their own fisheries; and in case His Majesty should hereafter require any part of the said lands for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds or other public works, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor; His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions hereinabove set forth, without any exception whatsoever, on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And, in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, he hath commanded me to prepare the present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the Office of the Superior Council at Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when required; and His Majesty hath been pleased to sign the same and order them to be countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, (Signed,) PHELIPPEAUX.

*Ratification of the Augmentation of the grant of the Seigniory of Monnoir, in favor of J. Bte. Nicolas Roch de Ramezay, and his four sisters.*

Dated the 13th April, 1740.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun., letter II, folio 79.

This day, the thirteenth of April, one thousand seven hundred and forty, the King being at Versailles, and being desirous of granting the prayer of the petition presented to him by the Sieur Jean Baptiste Nicolas Roch de Ramezay, captain of one of the companies of troops maintained by His Majesty in Canada, and of the Misses Geneviève, Angélique, Louise and Elizabeth de Ramezay, to the effect that His Majesty would be pleased to confirm and ratify a grant made to them on the twelfth of June, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-nine, by the Marquis of Beauharnois, Governor and Lieutenant-General in New France, and the Sieur Hocquart, Intendant of the said country, of a lot of land of two leagues in front by three leagues in depth, at the end of the Seigniory of Monnoir, belonging to the petitioners, in virtue of the grant thereof made to the Sieur Claude de Ramezay, their father, on the twenty-fifth of March, one thousand seven hundred and eight, the said land running north east and south west along the continuation of the Seigniory of Rouville, adjoining the said Seigniory towards the north east, and the Seigniory of Sabrevois towards the south west, the whole as a fief and seigniory; His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant, it being his will that the said Sieurs and the Misses de Ramezay, their heirs and assigns, shall forever enjoy the said land as their own property, as a fief and seigniory, which, together with the said grant of Monnoir, shall form but one and the same Seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, and the right of hunting, fishing, and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said Seigniory, according to and in conformity with the said grant, without being required, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any money or indemnity, His Majesty being pleased to remit the same, to whatever sum they may amount, on condition that they shall render fealty, and homage at the Castle of St. Louis, at Quebec, of which the said Fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues, according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country, that the appeals from the Judge who shall be established at the said place, shall lie before the Royal Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition also that they shall preserve and cause their tenants to preserve the oak timber fit for the construction of His Majesty's vessels; that they shall disclose to His Majesty, or the Governor and Intendant of the said Country, the mines, mining places and minerals, if any there be in the said Seigniory; that they shall improve it, and keep and cause their tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that they shall leave the roads necessary for the public utility, and also that they shall leave the beaches free to all fishermen, with the exception of such parts as they may require for their own fisheries; and, in case His Majesty should hereinafter require any parts of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works thereon, His Majesty may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works, and for fire-wood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor; His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions hereinabove set forth, without any exceptions whatsoever, on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And, in testimony of his will, His Majesty hath commanded me to prepare the present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the Office of the Superior Council of Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when requisite; and he hath been pleased to sign them with

his own hand, and order them to be countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, (Signed,) PHELIPEAUX.

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*Ratification of the grant in Augmentation of the Seigniory of Saurel, in favor of the Misses Angélique, Louise and Elizabeth de Ramezay.*

Dated the 13th of April, 1740.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun., letter H, folio 77.

This day, the thirtieth of April, one thousand seven hundred and forty, the King being at Versailles, and being desirous of granting the prayer of the petition presented to him by the Misses Angélique, Louise and Elizabeth de Ramezay, to the effect that His Majesty would be pleased to confirm and ratify a grant made to them on the eighteenth of June, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-nine, by the Marquis of Beauharnois, Governor and Lieutenant General of New France, and the Sieur Hocquart, Intendant of the said country, of a lot of land of one league and a half, or thereabouts, in superficies, at the back of the Seigniory of Saurel, to be taken between the lines and boundaries of the Seigniories of la Vallière, of Frezeret and of St. Ours, bounded on the north east side by the said Seigniory of la Vallière, on the north east side* by the said Seigniory of Frezeret, and on the south west side by the line of the said Seigniory of St. Ours; the said concession granted as a fief and seigniory, and to form, with that of Saurel, one seigniory, and be subject to the same jurisdiction; His Majesty hath confirmed and ratified the said grant, and, in consequence thereof, it is his will that the said Misses de Ramezay, their heirs or assigns, shall enjoy the same for ever, as their own property, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, and the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said Seigniory, according to and in conformity with the said grant, without being required, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty being pleased to remit the same to whatever sum they may amount, on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said Fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues, according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country, and that the appeals from the judge who shall be established there shall lie before the Royal Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition, also, that they shall preserve and cause their tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's vessels; that they shall disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places and minerals, if any there be in the said Seigniory; that they shall improve it, and keep and cause their tenants to keep their house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that they shall leave the necessary roads for the public utility, and also that they shall leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as they may require for their own fisheries; and in case His Majesty should hereafter require any part of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works, and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor; His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions hereinabove set forth, without any exception whatever, on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant

* East side See the title of concession of this land, at folio 27 of the Register of Intendance, No. 8.

And, in testimony of his will, His Majesty hath commanded me to prepare the present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the Office of the Superior Council at Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when necessary; His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same with his own hand, and order them to be countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, " PHELIPEAUX.

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*Ratification of a grant in Augmentation the Fiefs of Lanoraye and D'Autré, in favor of Sr. Jean Baptiste Neveu.*

Dated 13th April, 1730.

Extract from the Register Ins. Sup. Coun. Letter H, Folio, 56.

This day, the thirteenth of April, one thousand seven hundred and forty, the King being at Versailles, and being desirous of granting the prayer of the petition presented to him by Sieur Jean Baptiste Neveu, to the effect that he would be pleased to confirm and ratify a grant made to him on the fourth of July, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-nine, by the Marquis of Beauharnois, Governor and Lieutenant General of New France, and the Sieur Hocquart, Intendant of the said country, of the remainder of a lot of land situate at the end of the line which terminates the depth of the Fiefs of la Noray and D'Autré, which belong to the petitioner, as far as the Assomption River, and of the same extent in breadth as the said two Fiefs, that is to say, bounded on the south-west side by the line which separates the Seigniory of LaValtrie, and on the north-east side by a parallel line adjoining the prolongations of the Seigniory of D'Antaya, which land, with each of the said two fiefs, shall form but one and the same Seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction; His Majesty hath confirmed and ratified the said grant; and it is therefore his will that the said Sieur Neveu, his heirs or assigns, shall for ever enjoy, as their own property, the said lands, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, and the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said Seigniory, according to and in conformity with the said grant, without being obliged, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty being pleased to remit the same to whatever sum they may amount, on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other dues, according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country, and that the appeals from the Judges who shall be established there, shall lie before the Royal Jurisdiction of Montreal; on condition that they shall preserve and cause their tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's; vessels, that they shall disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country the mines, mining places and minerals, if any there be in the said Seigniory; that they shall improve it, and keep and cause their tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's Domain; that they shall leave the roads necessary for the public utility, also that they shall leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as they may require for their own fisheries; and in case His Majesty should hereafter require any parts of the said lands for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines, and other public works, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works, and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor; His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be

subject to the conditions hereinabove set forth, without any exceptions whatsoever, on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And in testimony of His Majesty's will, he hath commanded me to prepared the present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the Office of the Superior Council at Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when necessary; His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and to order them to be countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

Enregistered in the Registers of the Superior Council of New France, after having heard the King's Attorney General according to the *arrest* of this date, by the undersigned Councillor, Secretary of the King and Chief Clerk of the said Council.

(Signed) DAINE,
With a flourish.

Quebec, the 14th November 1740.

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*Ratification of the grant of the Seigniory of St. Hyacinthe, in favor of the Sieur Rigaud de Vaudreuil.*

Dated the 30th April, 1749.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun. Letter I, Folio 74.

This day, the thirtieth of April, one thousand seven hundred and forty-nine, the King being at Versailles, and being desirous of confirming and ratifying a grant made on the twenty-third of September, one thousand seven hundred and forty-eight, by the Marquis of Galisonnière, Commandant General of New France, and the Sieur Bigot, Intendant of the said country, in favor of the Sieur Rigaud de Vaudreuil, King's Lieutenant at Quebec, of a lot of land containing six leagues in front along the Masca River, by three leagues in depth on each side of the said river, the said six leagues to commence at seven leagues from the mouth of the above mentioned river, to be held by him as a fief and seigniory; His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant, and it is therefore his will that the said Sieur Rigaud de Vaudreuil, his heirs or assigns, shall forever enjoy the said lands as their own property, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, and the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said Seigniory, according to and in conformity with the said grant, without being required by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty being pleased to remit the same to whatever sum they may amount, on condition that he shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country, and that the appeals from the Judge who shall be established there shall lie before the Jurisdiction of Montreal; on condition, also, that he shall preserve and cause his tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's vessels; that he shall disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places and minerals if any there be in the said Seigniory; that he shall improve it, and keep and cause the tenants to keep their house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that he shall leave the necessary roads for the public utility, and also that he shall leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as he may require for their own fisheries; and in case His Majesty should hereafter require any parts of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines, and other public works thereon, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works, and for firewood for the garrison of

the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor; His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions hereinabove set forth, without any exception whatsoever on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And in testimony of his will, His Majesty hath ordered me to prepare the present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the Office of the Superior Council at Quebec; and which he hath been pleased to sign with his own hand, and to order to be countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, (Signed,) ROUILLE.

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*Ratification of the grant of the Seigniory de Bleury, in favor of the Sieur Sabrevois de Bleury.*

Dated the 24th June, 1751.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun., Letter K, Folio 5.

This day, the twenty-fourth of June, one thousand seven hundred and fifty-one, the King being at Versailles, and being desirous of confirming and ratifying a grant made on the thirtieth of October, 1750, by the Marquis de la Jonquière, Governor, Lieutenant General in New France, and the Sr. Bigot, Intendant of the said country, to the Sieur Sabrevois de Bleury, of an extent of land of three leagues in front, by three leagues in depth, along the River Chambly, commencing at the north side at the Seigniory of the Sr. Hertel, and on the same line, on the south side, at three leagues from the said Seigniory, by a line drawn east and west of the globe, in front by the River Chambly, and in its depth of three leagues adjoining the unconceded lands; His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant; and it is therefore his will that the said Sieur de Sabrevois de Bleury, his heirs or assigns, shall enjoy the said lands for ever, as their own property, (*comme de leurs propres,*) as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the whole extent of the said concession, according to and in conformity with the title which was granted him by the Marquis de la Jonquière, and the Sr. Bigot, without being required by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty being pleased to remit the same to whatever sum they may amount, on condition that he shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other dues under the Custom of Paris, followed in the said country, and that the appeals from the Judge who may be established there, shall lie before the Jurisdiction of Montreal; on condition, also, that he shall preserve and cause his tenants to preserve all the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's vessels; that he shall disclose to His Majesty or to his Governors and Intendants in the said country, all the mines, mining places and minerals, if any there be in the said concession; that he shall improve it, and keep and cause the tenants to keep house and home thereon, (*y tenir feu et lieu,*) in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that he shall leave the necessary roads for the public utility, and also that he shall leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as the said Sieur de Sabrevois de Bleury shall require for his own fisheries; and in case His Majesty shall hereafter require any parts of the said lands for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines, and other public works thereon, he may take possession of the same as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works, and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any com-

pensation therefor; His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shallbe subject to the conditions hereinabove set forth, without any exception whatsoever, on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And in testimony of his will, His Majesty hath ordered me to prepare these Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the Office of the Superior Council at Quebec; and he hath been pleased to sign them with his own hand, and to order them to be countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS,

And lower down, (Signed,) ROUILLÉ.

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*Ratification of the grant of the Seigniory of de Sabrevois, in favor of the Sieur Sabrevois.*

Dated 24th June, 1751.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun., Letter K, Folio 5.

This day, the twenty-fourth of June, one thousand seven hundred and fifty-one, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify a grant made on the first of November, one thousand seven hundred and fifty, by the Marquis de la Jonquière, Governor and Lieutenant General in New France, and the Sieur Bigot, Intendant of the said country, to the Sieur Sabrevois, Captain in the troops maintained there, of two leagues or thereabouts in front, by three leagues in depth, along the Chambly River above the St. Jean rapids, bounded on the north by the Seigniory granted to the Sieur Sabrevois de Bleury, on the thirtieth of October, 1750, and upon the same line, on the south side, at two leagues or thereabouts from the said Seigniory, by a line drawn due east and west, adjoining the unconceded lands, in front by the River Chambly, and in depth by the end of the three leagues, also adjoining the unconceded lands; His Majesty hath confirmed and ratified the said grant, and it is therefore his will that the said Sabrevois, his heirs or assigns, shall for ever enjoy the said land, as their own property, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said concession, according to and in conformity with the title which was granted him by the said Sieurs de la Jonquière and Bigot, without being required by reason thereof to pay to His Majesty, or the Kings his successors, any money or indemnity, His Majesty being pleased to remit the same, to whatever sum they may amount, on condition that he shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country, that the appeals from the Judge who shall be established there shall lie before the Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition also that he shall preserve and cause his tenants to preserve all the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's ships, and that he shall disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places and minerals if any there be in the said concession; that he shall improve it, and keep and cause the tenants to keep house and home thereon, (*y tenir feu et lieu*,) in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that they shall leave the necessary roads for the public utility, and also that he shall leave the beaches free to all fishermen, with the exception of those parts that the said Sieur Sabrevois may require for his own fisheries; and in case His Majesty should hereafter require any parts of the said lands for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines, and other public works, he may take possession of the same as well as of the trees necessary for the said public works, and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay

any compensation therefor; His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions hereinabove set forth, without any exception whatever, on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And in testimony of his will, His Majesty hath commanded me to prepare these present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the Superior Council of Quebec; and he hath been pleased to sign them with his own hand, and to order them to be countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, (Signed,) ROUILLÉ.

# SUPPLEMENTARY RETURN

To an Address from the Legislative Assembly, dated 13th April last, praying for copies of certain Seignorial documents.

By order,

A. N. MORIN,
Secretary.

Secretary's Office,
Quebec, 17 May, 1853.

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NOTE.—The copies of the documents transmitted in this Supplementary Return, are those mentioned as being under preparation, and to be communicated as soon as ready, in the note at the bottom of the first page of the foregoing Return of the 2d of May.

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*Ratification of the grant of a large part of the Island of Montreal, in favor of the Sieurs Pierre Chevrier de Faucamp and Jérome LeRoyer de la Dauversière.*

Dated the 13th February, 1644.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun., Letter A, folio 26.

Louis, by the Grace of God, King of France and Navarre,—To all those who shall see the present letters, Greeting:—

Our dear and well beloved Pierre Chevrier, Esquire, Sieur de Faucamp, and Hiérosme Le Royer, Sieur de la Dauversière, acting as well for themselves, as in the name of the inhabitants of Montreal, in New France, and those associates with them for the conversion of the Indians of the said country, have informed us and represented to us, that they have negotiated with our dear and well beloved the associates of the great Company of New France, about the proprietorship of the Island of Montreal, then entirely uncultivated and uninhabited, in the middle of the Great River St. Lawrence, and of two leagues around the said Island, with full jurisdiction, and as a Seigniory, both on the Island and along the said river, under the charge and conditions set forth in the contracts of the seventh of August and seventeenth of September, one thousand six hundred and forty, passed between them and the petitioners; and in order to facilitate them in the means of assisting the Indians who frequent the environs of the said Island, and of diffusing the light of the Gospel, by means of the said river, which is three hundred leagues in length, among the nations upon the borders thereof, and among the others at a greater distance, a duty to which the said petitioners, with the Divine aid, have so successfully devoted themselves up to the present time; that they have built a fort, a place of habitation and an hospital for the poor Indians who resort thither in large numbers for the purpose of residing, building their huts, and being instructed in the Christian faith, and that they have assisted them to clear the land, so that it is apparent that should heaven continue to pour forth its favors, as it has done up to this time by the effects of an extraordinary providence, this design would turn greatly to the glory of God, to whom we owe our Crown, and to the welfare, advantage and honour of our service; and that upon the said

Island where the lands are among the most fertile and most seasonable of the whole country, some powerful religious community might establish itself, and become thenceforth a sure refuge to the poor Indians, who, for the most part, are already inclined to receive the means of their salvation, and who do not, at present, dare to frequent the river, to the great loss of the French merchants, on account of the Indians, called Iroquois, their common enemies, who, having the advantage of being provided with fire arms, overrun with impunity the river and the whole country, pillaging and carrying off those poor innocent people, who are deprived of all means of defence, and who are cruelly put to death by them, after having been inhumanly tormented; and that on this account the petitioners fear being troubled in the execution of their undertaking, unless they obtain our letters of ratification and confirmation of the said contracts hereunto affixed under the counterseal of these presents, and they humbly pray for the same.

For these causes, fully bearing in our mind the good sentiments which our grandfather, the King, Henry the Great, had for the advancement of the service of God in these countries, as it appears by several of his letters and by his many declarations made in relation thereto, confirmed from time to time by the late King, our much honored Lord and Father, and particularly in the month of March, one thousand six hundred and forty-three, in relation to Montreal, which, we are fully informed, must contribute greatly to the general welfare of the said country and to the conversion of the Indians; and that the royal authority is only established by God, on the earth, for the purpose of procuring, before all things, the increase of his glory, and having particularly in view all the laudable and magnificent designs of our much honored Lords, our Father and our Grandfather, we have, for the purpose of giving the petitioners more ample means to continue what they have so usefully commenced for the welfare of Christianity in the said country, and in order that blessings may attend our reign, by causing our subjects to emulate our example; by the advice of the Queen Regent, our much honored Lady and Mother, of our very dear Uncle, the Duke of Orleans, of our dear Cousin the Prince of Condé, and of several of the great and chief members of our council, we have ratified, allowed and confirmed, and, by these presents, we do ratify, allow and confirm the said deeds and grants in favor of the petitioners, and it is our will and pleasure that they should enjoy the grants therein made, fully and peaceably, for ever more.

And in order that the inhabitants of the Island of Montreal may live in peace and quietness and under proper rule, we allow them to appoint such private Captain or Governor as they may wish to name for us, to continue the fortifications and the habitations, both for the French people and for the Christian Indians, who may come and live there, to assist them with provisions and arms, if necessary, and to raise corps for their defence in the towns and communities; to enable their boats and canoes to descend and ascend the River St. Lawrence in liberty, from Quebec to Montreal, for the purpose of transporting the necessary provisions and ammunition to the inhabitants, without being obliged to cast anchor in any place, unless for their own convenience, and without being prevented or troubled under any pretence whatsoever, to make and receive legacies and endowments for the maintenance both of the poor Indians and of the ecclesiastics or laymen who are there, whom it may be necessary to maintain hereafter in greater numbers, on condition, in case of complaint against or malversation on the part of the said associates or their clerks, that they shall render an account of the revenue of the said legacies to such person as we shall be pleased to appoint; Wherefore we give in command to our beloved and faithful Councillors, holding our Parliament, and to others, our Justices and officers whom it may concern, and to our beloved and faithful the Chevalier de Mont Magny, our Lieutenant in New France, to have these

presents read, published and enregistered, and to cause the petitioners, their associates, and the inhabitants of the said Montreal, fully to enjoy the land therein described, causing all troubles and hindrances to the contrary thereof to cease. And as the said letters may be required in different places, it is our will that the copies thereof, duly compared, be taken in evidence, as the present original would be, for such is our pleasure.—Given at Paris, the thirteenth day of February, in the year of Grace, one thousand six hundred and forty-four, and in the first of our Reign; Signed, "LOUIS," and on the endorse by the King "DELOMENYE" with a flourish, and sealed with yellow wax.

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*Ratification of the Grant of Sillery, in favor of the Indians under the direction of the Jesuit Fathers.*

Dated, July, 1651.

Extract from the Register Book of Intendance, No. 1 to 9—folio 80.

Louis, by the Grace of God, King of France and Navarre,—To all persons now present and hereafter coming, Greeting:

The Company of New France, having by a deed of the thirteenth day of March last, given to the Indians who generally reside near to Quebec, in the said country, granted one league of land upon the great River St. Lawrence, bounded by the cape which terminates the Cove of St. Joseph or of Sillery, on the Quebec side, and on the other by the place or limit where the said league terminates, ascending the great river, by four leagues in depth in the woods or running inland, towards the north, with all rights of hunting and fishing throughout the said extent, and in that part of the great River St. Lawrence and in the other rivers and ponds which may be within the said concession, or which adjoin it, the whole without any dependencies, with all the seignorial rights under the management and direction of the Fathers of the Company of Jesus, who converted them to the faith of Jesus Christ, and without any French person being allowed to hunt or to fish through the said extent of land, unless with the leave of the Christian Captain of this New Church, under the management, direction and approbation of the said Fathers; and as the whole is more fully specified and declared by the said grant, for the validity and execution of which it being necessary, and we being also desirous, on our part, of co-operating, as much as lies in our power, in the reformation of these people, and considering that it is most reasonable that they should have and hold, in their own country, the extent of land which may be necessary for them to live upon in common and lead a sedentary life near the French settlers; by the advice of the Queen Regent, our much honored Lady and Mother, and of our Council, who have examined the said grant of the thirteenth day of March last, hereunto annexed under our counterseal, we have, of our special grace, full power and Royal authority in agreeing to and confirming the said grant of New France aforesaid, given and granted, and by these presents, which are signed by us, we do give and grant one league along the great river by four leagues in depth running inland, not only at the place stated in the said grant, but also at all the places where there may be a fort and a French garrison, and, to this end, it is our will and pleasure that the said Indians do possess at the said fort or near the place where the said fort may be, one league in front by four leagues running inland, with all the hunting and fishing places and all the other advantages which they can derive from the said extent of land or from the adjacent rivers, without paying any dues or sums of money, which we abandon and remit to them, on condition however, that the said Indians be and always remain under the management and superintendence and protection of the Fathers of the Company of Jesus, without

whose advice and consent they shall be unable to resign, concede, sell or alienate the lands which we grant them, nor to allow any private individuals to hunt or fish thereon, unless it be by the permission of the said Fathers, to whom we give the management of the affairs of the Indians, without however their being required to render any account of such management, unless it should be to their superiors. It is also our will that, in case any Europeans should be established within the said limits, they be and remain dependent upon the Christian Captains, and under the superintendence of the said Fathers, just as they were under the superintendence of those who had granted them the lands in their possession; and that hereafter, no land, within the said extent, be granted unless by the order of the Christian Captains, and with the advice and consent of the said Fathers, their protectors, the whole for the advantage of these people, so as to induce, them by the small emoluments arising to them from their own country, to abandon their erratic ways and lead a Christian life, under the superintendence of their Captain and of the Fathers who had converted them. We thus order &c. Given at Paris in the month of July, in the year of grace one thousand six hundred and fifty-one, and in the second of our reign.

(Signed,) " LOUIS."

And upon the endorse, By the King,

The Queen Regent, His Mother being present,

And lower down it is written:

Enregistered by the King's Attorney General, in order that it may be executed according to its form and tenor, at Paris, in Parliament, on the eleventh day of April, 1658.

(Signed,) DUTILLET.

Compared with the original by me, Councillor, Secretary to the King.

(Signed,) DUMOLEY.

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*Ratification of the Grant of the Island of St. Thérèse, and others adjacent thereto, in favor of the Sieur Dugué.*

Dated the 17th October, 1673.

Extract from the Register, Book of Intendance, No. 1 to 9, folio 172.

Louis de Buade, Count of Frontenac, Governor of New France, To all those who shall see the present letters, Greeting: Let it be known that upon the representation made to us by the Sieur Captain Dugué, that the Isles, Islands and shoals between the Island of St. Lawrence and the end of the Island of St. Thérèse, which have been in contestation between him of one part and the Sieur de Repentigny, of the other as to who should be the proprietor of the same, on the ground that the particular clause stated in the deed of concession granted to him by Mr. Talon, then the Intendant of Justice, Police and Finance in the said country, could not be taken to mean the said Islands and shoals, inasmuch as it did not, in any way, prejudice the concession of the said Sieur de Repentigny; wherefore he was desirous that we should be pleased to give him a confirmation of such Grant. We, by virtue of the power delegated to us by His Majesty, after having proceeded to the said isles and islands, and after examination of the deeds, have ordered that the said isles, islands and shoals in question, situate on the south side, from the Island of St. Lawrence, ascending the great river, as far as the end of the

Island of St. Thérèse, shall and do belong to the said Sieur Dugué, in conformity with the grant made to him by the said Sieur Talon, in order that, from henceforth, he, together with his heirs and assigns, shall enjoy the same fully and peaceably under the charges, clauses and conditions stated in the said title. In testimony whereof, we have signed these presents, and have attached our seal and arms, and have had them countersigned by one of our Secretaries. Given at Quebec, on the seventeenth of October, one thousand six hundred and seventy-three.

(Signed,) "TALON,"

And lower down, By his Lordship, "LECHASSEUR."

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*Decree of the King, confirming the Grant made by the Count de Frontenac, from the 22nd of March, to the second of September,* 1674, *in favor of the persons therein named.*

Dated the 10th of May, 1675.

*Extract from the Registers of the Council of State.*

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Cons. Letter A, folio 60.

The King, being in Council, and seeing the state of the Grants made by the Count de Frontenac, Governor and Lieutenant General of His Majesty in Canada, from the twenty-second of March up to and on the second of September, one thousand six hundred and seventy-four, of *fiefs, cens et rentes* to the individuals named, Guyon de St. Ours, de Chavigny, Leparc, Jobin, d'Héry, Le Rouge, Roberge, De la Durantaye, Dubos, Jaret, Godeffroy, Denis, Jallot, Paulin, Le Moyne, Saurel, and Salvay—And His Majesty wishing to confirm the said Grants, so as to give peaceable and perpetual enjoyment thereof to the persons above named, having heard the report of the Sieur Colbert, a Councillor in ordinary of the King in his Royal Council, and Comptroller General of Finance; the King, being in Council, hath confirmed and ratified the concessions made to the said Guyon, De St. Ours, de Chavigny, Leparc, Jobin, d'Héry, Le Rouge, Roberge, De la Durantaye, Dubos, Jaret, Godeffroy, Denis. Jallot, Paulin, Le Moyne, Saurel and Salvay, by the said Count de Frontenac; and doth order that they do enjoy the same in the form and manner stated in the deeds of Concession, without, for any cause, or on any occasion whatever, being disturbed in the possession and enjoyment thereof, on condition that they shall pay the dues with which they are charged; and for the execution of the present decree, all the necessary letters shall be issued. Done at the King's Council of State, in the presence of His Majesty, at St. Germain en Laye, on the tenth of May, one thousand six hundred and seventy-five.

(Signed,) "COLBERT,'

Louis, by the Grace of God, King of France and Navarre,—To our beloved and faithful Councillor in our Councils, the Count de Frontenac, Governor and our Lieutenant General in Canada, and also to our beloved and faithful Councillors holding our Sovereign Council in the said country, Greeting:

By the decree, an extract of which is hereto affixed under the counterseal of our Chancery, of this date, made in our State Council, in our presence, we have confirmed the Grants made by you, Sieur Count de Frontenac to the individuals named Guyon,de St. Ours, de Chavigny, LeParc, Jobin, d'Héry, LeRouge, Roberge, De la Durantaye, Dubos, Jaret, Godeffroy, Denis, Jallot, Paulin, Le-Moyne, Saurel and Salvay, and in consequence thereof we have ordered that they do enjoy the same in the form and manner stated in the said deeds of concession; we do command and order you by these presents, signed by us, each

according to your power, to see to the fulfilment of the present decree, which we are desirous of having fulfilled according to its form and tenor, for such is our pleasure.

Given at Saint Germain en Laye, on the tenth of May, and in the thirty-first of our reign.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, By the King, (Signed,) COLBERT.

And sealed at the end with the great seal in yellow wax and Counter-sealed.

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*Letters Patent from the King, granting the Concession of the Fort Frontenac to the Sieur Robert Cavelier de la Salle.*

Dated the 13th of May, 1675.

*Extract from the Registers of the State Council.*

Extract from Register of Insinuations of Superior Council. Letter A, folio 57.

The King in Council having caused to be examined the proposals made by Robert Cavelier, Sieur de la Salle, in which he stated that if His Majesty would be pleased to grant to him, and to his heirs, successors and assigns, as a gift, the fort called "Frontenac" situate in New France, with four leagues of country adjoining, the Islands called Ganoukouenot and Kaouenesgo and the small islands in the neighbourhood, with the right of hunting and fishing throughout the said country, and in the lake called Lake Ontario or Frontenac, and in the neighbouring rivers, the whole as a fief and seigniory and with right of jurisdiction, the appeals from which should lie before the Lieutenant General of Quebec, together with the government of the said Fort of Frontenac, and with letters of nobility, he would cause to be removed into the said country of New France a quantity of articles, owned by him in this Kingdom, so as to put up habitations there, which, in the course of time, might greatly contribute to the enlargement of the Colonies of the said country; and furthermore the said de la Salle offers to reimburse the sum of ten thousand livres which was the amount expended in the construction of the said Fort of Frontenac, to keep the said Fort in good repair and support the garrison necessary for the defence thereof, which cannot be less than the garrison of the Fort of Montreal, to maintain twenty men during two years for the purpose of clearing the lands to be conceded to him, and until he shall have had a church built, to maintain a priest or religious, who shall perform divine service and administer the sacraments; the said de la Salle promising to pay alone all the cost and expense of such maintenance, until such time as some other individuals shall have established themselves, above the Long Sault, called Garonsoi, in with grants taken upon the same conditions as those of the one he now prays for, in which case they shall be held to contribute their share to the said expenses, in proportion to the quantity of land that may be granted to them.—And having heard the report of the Sieur Colbert, Councillor in ordinary in the Royal Council and Comptroller General of Finance, His Majesty in Council hath accepted and doth accept the offers of the said Sieur de la Salle, and in consequence thereof His Majesty doth grant him the ownership of the said Fort called Frontenac, and four leagues of country adjoining, each league containing two thousand fathoms in length, along the lakes above and below the said Fort, and half a league or one thousand fathoms, running inland, the islands called Ganoukouesnot and Kaouenesgo and the adjoining ones, with the right of hunting and fishing upon Lake Ontario and upon the adjoining rivers, the whole as a fief and with all seigniorial rights and with the

right of jurisdiction, on condition that he shall immediately remove to Canada all the articles possessed by him in this country, which must not be of less value than the sum of ten thousand livres, either in money or in goods, that he shall procure a certificate thereof from the Count de Frontenac, His Majesty's Lieutenant General in the said country, and reimburse the sum of ten thousand livres expended for the building of the said Fort, which he shall maintain in good repair and put in a proper state of defence; that he shall pay and keep a garrison sufficient for the defence of the said Fort, which garrison must at least be equal to that of the Fort of Montreal; that he shall also maintain during two years, for the purpose of clearing the said land, twenty men, who shall not be employed at any other work during the said time; that he shall have a church built within the first six years of his grant, and in the meantime maintain a priest or religious there, for the purpose of administering the sacraments; that he shall also induce the Indians to come there, give them habitations, and establish villages with the French people, to whom he shall give a part of the said lands for the purpose of having them cleared; that all the said lands shall be cleared and improved within twenty years from the year next following, (one thousand six hundred and seventy-six,) otherwise, after such time, His Majesty may dispose of those parts that shall not have been cleared and improved. It is His Majesty's will that the appeals from the judges who shall be established by the said de la Salle in that part of the country conceded by His Majesty, do lie before the Lieutenant General of Quebec. And to this end, it is His Majesty's will that all letters of gift and concession necessary for the effect thereof, be granted to the said de la Salle, together with those for the Government of the said Fort of Frontenac, and also letters of Nobility for himself and for his posterity. Done in the King's State Council, held at Compiegne on the thirteenth day of May, one thousand six hundred and seventy-five.

(Signed,) "COLBERT."

Louis by the Grace of God, King of France and Navarre, To all now present and hereafter, Greeting:—Our dear and well beloved Robert Cavelier, Sieur de la Salle has humbly represented to us that, for some years, he has resided in New France, to which country he has removed a part of the property owned by him in this country, and as the petitioner could increase his establishment by building habitations in the said country of New France, he has represented to us that he would be very willing to remove thither, should we be pleased to grant him some lands as fiefs and seigniories, and some other advantages for the purpose of indemnifying him for the expenses he will be obliged to incur for the clearing of the lands. For these reasons being desirous of contributing by all the means in our power to the advancement of the Colonies which have been established in our said country of New France, and of treating the said Cavelier in a favorable manner, we have given and do give him by virtue of these presents, signed by us, the right of property both in the soil and on the surface, of the Fort called "Frontenac," built upon the Lake Ontario or Lake Frontenac, situated in the said country of New France, with four leagues of land, each league containing two thousand fathoms, along the lakes and rivers above and below the said Forts, by two half leagues running inland; together with the islands called Ganooukouesnot and Kaouenesgo and the adjacent ones, with the right of hunting and fishing upon the said lands and in the said Lake Ontario or Frontenac, and in the neighbouring rivers; It is our will and pleasure that the said Cavêlier, his heirs, successors and assigns, do enjoy the said Forts, Lands, Islands of Islands with the said right of fishing and hunting, as fiefs and with all seigniorial rights and rights of jurisdiction, under condition of the fealty and homage which the said Cavelier, his heirs, successors and assigns, shall be bound to render

to us upon each mutation as the same is held of us and of our crown, and on payment of the ordinary rights and dues according to the custom of the Prevosté and Vicomté of Paris, and that the appeals from the Court of the said Seigniory, which Court shall be established at the said Fort of Frontenac, shall lie before the Lieutenant General of Quebec;—it is also our will that the said Cavelier be and remain Governor, in our stead, of the said Fort of Frontenac, under the commands of our Lieutenant General in the said country of New France, and for the effect thereof, that these presents be considered as giving him the necessary powers. And, in order that it may be known how satisfactory the increase of the colonies of the said country is to us, and in consideration of the attentions and sums of money which the said Cavelier has paid and those he may hereafter pay, we have granted and we do grant him letters of nobility; and for the effect thereof it is our will that all the letters of nobility be issued in his favor; we however allow all the inhabitants of the said country, and those who may hereafter establish themselves there, to trade with the Indians in the usual manner, according to the rules of police and the decrees of our Council of Quebec, without its being in the power of the petitioner, upon pretence of this Concession, to prevent them in any way or manner whatever; we having granted this Concession to the said Cavelier under the charges, clauses and conditions contained in the decree of our Council, passed in our presence, dated this day under the counterseal of our Chancery; the petitioner shall be bound to maintain the same at his sole cost and expense so long as there shall only be himself or his successors established in the said Fort of Frontenac, and upon the lands and seigniories of the present concession; and in case grants of seigniories should hereafter be given, by us or by the Kings our successors, above the Long Sault, called Garonouoy, the persons, in whose favor the said grants shall be made, shall be bound to contribute to the expenses, both ordinary and extraordinary of the garrison, and to the maintaining in repair of the fortifications of the said Fort of Frontenac, in proportion to the lands and inheritances that may be granted to them. We also give it in command to our beloved and faithful subjets holding our Superior Council at Quebec, and to our Justices and other officers whom it may concern, that they do cause to be be read and enregistered our present letters of gift and concession, and do also cause the said Cavelier, his heirs, successors and assigns to enjoy the grants therein contained, fully, peaceably and for ever, preventing all troubles and hindrances which might be placed in their way and causing the same to cease, for such is our pleasure; and in order that the above may be forever certain and established, we have had our seal placed upon these presents.

Given at Compiègne the third day of May, in the year of grace one thousand six hundred and twenty-five, and in the thirty-third year of our reign.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And on the endorse, By the King, " COLBERT.

And sealed with the great seal in green wax on ties of red and green silk.

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*Ratification of the Grant of the Seigniory of Notre Dame des Anges in favor of the Recollet Fathers.*

Dated, April, 1676.

Extract from the register Ins: Sup, Conn. Letter A, folio 77.

Louis, by the Grace of God, King of France and Navarre,—To all present and hereafter, Greeting:—

Father Gabriel de la Ribourde, Provincial Vicar, and Superior of the Recollet Fathers of Quebec, has very humbly represented to us that, in the

year one thousand six hundred and twenty-nine, the Fathers who were in the habitation in Quebec, having been expelled by the English, were obliged to leave and fly for refuge to the Council of Paris, with their titles; and that in the year one thousand six hundred and sixty nine, having obtained leave from us to return and take possession of their old habitation called "*Notre Dame des Anges*" their vessel was shipwrecked during the voyage, so that the titles which they had giving them the enjoyment and proprietorship of the place of their said habitation in Quebec and the lands attached thereto, were entirely lost, without one single one being saved, in consequence of which the petitioner had presented his petition to the Sieur de Buade Frontenac, Comte de Palluau, Councillor in our Councils, Governor and our Lieutenant General in Canada, Acadia and other countries of North France, to the end that a new title be granted them relative to the property of one hundred and six arpents of land, by ten in front, with the right of fishing in the River St. Charles in front of the lands now enjoyed by the said Convent; which petition, together with the reasons contained therein, having been examined by the said Comte de Palluau, after having ascertained that the said lands and rights belonged to the said Recollet Fathers, in virtue of donations and grants made to them heretofore both by ourselves and by the late King, our much honored Lord and Father; the said Sieur Palluau did grant to the petitioner a deed of acknowledgement of the ownership of the above named lands and rights, to be to them as a new title (*titre nouveau*) dated at Quebec the twenty-ninth of May, one thousand six hundred and seventy-three, which title the petitioner has most humbly prayed us to ratify, allow and approve of and to grant him our letters necessary to that effect; for these causes, being desirous of shewing favor to the said Recollet Fathers of the Convent of Notre Dame des Anges in the Town of Quebec, and of giving them the opportunity to continue their missions and pious works for the greater glory of God, the conversion of the infidels and advancement of the faith,—We, of our special Grace, full power and Royal Authority, have allowed, ratified and confirmed, and by these presents, signed by us, do ratify, allow and confirm the said deed of acknowledgment granted by the said Comte de Palluau, our Lieutenant General and Governor in our stead of the said Islands of Canada, dated at Quebec the twenty-ninth of May, one thousand six hundred and seventy-three, a copy whereof is hereunto affixed under our Chancery Counterseal. It is our will and pleasure that, in virtue thereof and of these presents, the said Recollet Fathers, and those who may succeed them in the said Convent of Notre Dame des Anges at Quebec, do enjoy and continue perpetually and forever to enjoy the lands and rights mentioned therein, without hereafter being liable to be disturbed in the said possession and enjoyment in any way or manner whatever, and to this end, so far as the same is or may be necessary, we have made and by these presents, do, make them a gift thereof. We also give it in command to our beloved and faithful Councillors, holding our Sovereign Council at Quebec, to cause these presents to be enregistered, and also to cause the said Recollet Fathers and those who may succeed them in the said Convent of Notre Dame des Anges at Quebec, fully, peaceably and forever to enjoy the grants herein contained, preventing all troubles and hindrances to the contrary and causing them to cease, for such is our pleasure; and in order that the above may be forever certain and established, we have caused our seal to be placed upon these presents.

Given at Condé's Camp, in the month of April, in the year of grace one thousand six hundred and seventy-six, and in the thirty-third year of our reign, Signed, "LOUIS" and on the endorse,—By the King, "COLBERT," and sealed with the great seal in green wax, and countersealed with the same wax and ties, and opposite on the same endorse is written, "DALIGRE" as a ratification granted to the Recollet Fathers of Quebec.

*Ratification and Deed of Mortmain of the donation of the Island of Montreal for the conversion of the Indians, in favor of the Ecclesiastics of the Seminary of St. Sulpice, in the Faubourg St. Germain near Paris.*

Dated, May, 1677.

Extract from the register Ins Sup. Coun. Letter A, folio 66.

Louis, by the grace of God, King of France and of Navarre;—To all now present and hereafter, Greeting—The Ecclesiastics of the Seminary of St. Sulpice, in the Faubourg St. Germain, near Paris, have most humbly represented to us that the Sieurs de Faucamp, de Quaylus *Abbé* of Locdieu, de Garibal, de Morangis, Duplessis and Drouart, did give them, by a deed of the ninth day of March, one thousand six hundred and sixty-three, the Seigniory of the Island of Montreal, in New France, with its appurtenances and dependencies, where they have sent priests, who have worked so successfully at the conversion of the Indians, that they have been urged to send over as many as fourteen, who might establish a community there, if we should be pleased to grant them our letters necessary for that purpose. For these reasons, and being particularly informed that we could do nothing more advantageous for the propagation of the faith and the establishment of the Christian religion in our States of New France, and being desirous of treating the Petitioners in a favorable manner, we have allowed them, and by these presents, signed by us, we do allow them to establish a Community and a Seminary of Ecclesiastics in the said Island of Montreal, for the purpose of attending to the conversion and instruction of our subjects, and of interceding with God for us and for the Kings our successors, and for the peace of the church and of our realm, according to their intentions and in conformity with the holy councils of the church and the ordinance of this kingdom; and in order the more to facilitate this establishment, we have praised, acceded to, and approved of, and we do praise, accede to, and approve of the said donation, as contained in the deed of the said ninth day of March, one thousand six hundred and sixty-three hereunto attached under our Chancery counterseal; and of our fullest grace, we have placed, and do forever place in mortmain the said land and Seigniory of Montreal, as being dedicated and consecrated to God; and it is our will that it be for ever owned by their society, without any one person among them being able to bind, hypothecate or alienate it for any reason or under any circumstance whatever; to hold to them and their successors in the said seminary and community freely and without hindrance, without being bound to give it up or furnish a substitute, (*bailler homme vivant et mourant*,) or to pay us or the Kings our successors, any money or indemnity, rights of *franc fiefs* and new purchases and other dues, from all which we have exempted and do exempt them; and to whatever sum they may amount, we have made them and do make them a free gift by these presents, upon the condition that they shall pay the indemnities and other rights that may be due to other seigniors. We therefore give it in command to our beloved and faithful people, holding our Soverign Council at Quebec, and to all our other proper officers, to have these presents enregistered, and to to place the ecclesiastics of the said seminary, and their successors, in the full, peaceable, and perpetual enjoyment thereof, preventing and causing all troubles and hindrances to cease, for such is our pleasure; and in order that the above may be fully and forever established, we have had our seal affixed to these presents. Given at St. Omer, in the month of May, in the year of grace one thousand six hundred and seventy-seven, and in the thirty-fourth of our reign.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And upon the endorse is written, By the King, "COLBERT," with a flourish; and alongside is written, opposite, "DALIGRE," for the establishment of a

Seminary in New France, in favor of the Ecclesiastics of the Seminary of St. Sulpice.—Signed, "COLBERT," and sealed with the great seal in green wax, on ties of red and green silk.

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*Confirmation of the lands acquired at Fort Frontenac and in the Island of Percy, by the Rev. Recollet Fathers.*

Dated, 12th May, 1678.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun Letter A, folio 78.

Louis, by the grace of God, King of France and of Navarre,—To all who shall see the present letters, Greeting:—Our dear and beloved Recollet Fathers, in our country of New France, have most humbly represented to us, that for six years, they have been established, with our approbation, at the Island of Percy and at the Fort of Frontenac, pursuant to the permission granted them by the Count de Frontenac, Governor and our Lieutenant General in the said country, and inasmuch as they require our letters confirming this establishment, they have most humbly prayed that we would grant them, which we feel the more inclined to do as we are perfectly cognizant of the great zeal displayed by these fathers for the conversion of the Indians, and in order to give our subjects residing in the said country, all the spiritual assistance they require; for these reasons and others us urging thereto, of our special grace, full power and royal authority, we have, by virtue of these presents signed by us, approved of and confirmed, and we do approve of and confirm the establishment of the said Recollet Fathers at the Fort of Frontenac and at the Island of Percy, together with the concessions that have been made for the said establishment. It is our will and pleasure that the said fathers shall have the right of acquiring by sale, donation, exchange or otherwise, all the lands which they shall find necessary for their house, enclosures and other buildings, and for their subsistence and maintenance, and from this day we discharge from rent dues those possessions they now hold, as being consecrated and dedicated to God; it is our will that they do hold them in mortmain, and free and discharged from all rights of indemnity, new purchases and all others, without paying therefor any sum of money, as we have remitted the same to them. We therefore command our beloved and faithful subjects holding our Sovereign Council in Quebec, to cause these presents to be read, enregistered and executed according to their form and tenor, and to put the petitioners in full and peaceable enjoyment thereof, for such is our pleasure.—Given at St. Germain en Laye, on the twelfth day of May, in the year of grace one thousand six hundred and seventy-eight, and in the thirty-fifth of our Reign. Signed, "LOUIS," and on the endorse, by the King, "COLBERT," and sealed with the great seal in yellow wax.

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*Decree confirming the grants made by the Governor and by the Intendant, from the 12th October, 1676, to the 5th September, 1679, in favor of the individuals therein named.*

Dated the 29th May, 1680.

*Extract from the Registers of the Council of State.*

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun. Letter A. folio 84.

The King in Council, seeing the letters patent of His Majesty, of the twentieth of May, 1676, empowering the Count de Frontenac, His Majesty's Governor and Lieutenant General in Canada, and to Sieur Duchesneau, Intendant of Justice, Police and Finance, in the said country,

conjointly to grant concessions of the lands, both to the old inhabitants of the country and to those who might hereafter take up their residence there, on condition that these concessions should be exhibited to them for the purpose of being confirmed within a year from their date, and that the lands conceded shall be cleared and improved within six years from the time they are conceded, under pain of nullity; the said letters enregistered in the Sovereign Council of Canada, on the nineteenth of October, 1676, and the statement of the concessions granted by the said Count de Frontenac and by the said Sieur Duchesneau, conjointly, from the twelfth of October, 1676, to the fifth of September, 1679, inclusive, of the fiefs, lands, islands and rivers, to the individuals named Pierre de Joybert, Esquire, Sieur de Soulange et de Marson, Randin, de la Vallière, de Repentigny, Bertier, Miss Marie Anne Juchereau, widow of the Sieur de la Combe, de Beccancourt, Marie Guillemette Hébert, widow of the Sieur Couillart, Miss Geneviève Couillart, Nicolas Rousselot dit la Praisrie, Noël Langlois, François Bellenger, d'Amours Deschaufour, Crevrier, de Verchères, Bizart, Romain Becquet, de Boyvinet, Jacques de la Lande, Louis Jolliet, Nicolas Juchereau de St. Denis for Joseph Juchereau, his son, André de Chaune, Antoine Caddé, Charles Marquis, Jean Levrard and to the Superior and Ecclesiastics of St. Sulpice of Paris; and His Majesty wishing to confirm the said concessions, so as to render the enjoyment thereof peaceable and permanent in favor of the persons above mentioned, their heirs and assigns, the report of the Sieur Colbert, Councillor in ordinary to the King in his Royal Council and Comptroller General of Finances, having been heard, the King, in his Council, hath confirmed and doth confirm the concessions made to the said de Joybert, Randin, de la Vallière, de Repentigny, Bertier, widow la Combe, de Beccancourt, widow Couillart, Geneviève Couillart, Rousselot, Langlois, Bellenger, d'Amours Deschaufour, Crevrier de Verchères, Bizart, Becquet, de Boyvinet, la Lande, Jolliet, de St. Denis for Joseph Juchereau, his son, de Chaune, Caddé, Marquis, Levrard, and to the Superior and Ecclesiastics of the Seminary of Paris, by the said Count de Frontenac, conjointly with the Sieur Duchesneau; and doth command that they, with their heirs and assigns do enjoy the same in the form and manner stated in the deeds of concession, and even that the said Langlois, his heirs and assigns, do enjoy the house built by him, without being liable to be disturbed under any pretence or circumstances whatever, on condition of clearing and improving the lands conceded to them, within six years from the date of the said concessions, under pain of their becoming null; and also on condition of their paying the dues with which they may be charged. It is His Majesty's will that the present decree, together with the said concessions, be enregistered in the Sovereign Council of New France, sitting in the town of Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when necessary. Done at the King's Council of State, in His Majesty's presence, held at Fontainebleau, on the twenty-ninth of May, one thousand six hundred and eighty.

(Signed,) COLBERT.

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Louis, by the grace of God, King of France and of Navarre,—To our beloved and faithful Councillors in our Councils, our Governor and Lieutenant General in Canada, the Sieur de Frontenac and the Sieur Duchesneau, Intendant of Justice, Police and Finance in the said country, and to our beloved and faithful Councillors, holding our Sovereign Council in New France, assembled in the town of Quebec, Greeting:—By the decree, passed this day in our presence in our State Council, an abstract of which is hereunto annexed under our Chancery counterseal, we have confirmed the concessions made to the individuals named de Joybert, Randin, de la Vallière, de Repentigny, Bertier, widow

La Combe, de Beccancourt, widow Couillart, Genevieſve Couillart, Rousselot Langlois, Bellenger, d'Amours Deschaufour, Crevier, de Verchères, Bizart, Becquet, de Boyvinet, Lalande, Jolliet, de St. Denis for Joseph Juchereau his son, De Chaune, Caddé, Marquis, Levrard and to the Superior and Ecclesiastics of the Seminary of St. Sulpice at Paris, by the Count of Frontenac and by the said Sieur Duchesneau; and in consequence thereof we have commanded and we do command that they, together with their heirs and assigns, do enjoy the same in the manner and form stated in the deeds of concesssion; and even that the said Langlois, his heirs and assigns do enjoy the house built by him, without being liable to be disturbed in the possession and enjoyment thereof, on condition that they do clear and improve the lands conceded to them, within six years from the date of the said concessions, on pain of their becoming null, and also on the condition that they do pay the dues with which they may be charged. We command our said beloved and faithful people, holding our sovereign Council in New France, assembled in the Town of Quebec, to cause the present decree to be enregistered there; for the due execution whereof, we command one of the bailliffs of our said Council to fulfil all the necessary duties, without requiring any other permission; for such is our pleasure. Given at Fontainebleau, on the twenty-ninth of May, in the year of grace one thousand six hundred and eighty, and in the thirty-eighth year of our reign.

(Signed,) "LOUIS."

And lower down, by the King, "COLBERT,"

And sealed with the great seal in yellow wax and countersealed.

Enregistered according to the decree of this day, at Quebec, on the twenty-fourth day of October, one thousand six hundred and eighty.

(Signed,) "PEUVRET."

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*Decree confirming the Concessions made by the Governor and by the Intendant, from the 5th of January,* 1682, *to the* 17*th of September,* 1683, *in favor of the parties mentioned therein.*

Dated, the 15th April, 1684.

*Extract from the Registers of the Council of State.*

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun. Letter B, folio 18.

The King in Council, seeing the letters patent of His Majesty, of the twentieth of May, one thousand six hundred and seventy-six, giving power to the Governor and Lieutenant General of His Majesty in Canada, and to the Intendant of Justice, Police and Finance in the said country, conjointly to grant concessions of land both to the old inhabitants of the said country and to those who might establish themselves there afterwards, on condition that the concessions should be laid before them within the year of their date, for the purpose of being enregistered; and that the lands conceded should be cleared and improved within six years from the date of their concession, under pain of becoming null; the said letters enregistered in the Sovereign Council of Canada, on the nineteenth of October, one thousand six hundred and seventy-six, together with the statement of the concessions made by the Sieur De La Barre, Governor and Lieutenant General, and by the Sieur DeMeulles, Intendant of Justice, Police and Finance in the said country, from the fifth of January, one thousand six hundred and eighty-two, up to the seventeenth of September, one thousand six hundred and eighty-three, inclusive, of fiefs, lands, islands

and rivers, in favor of the individuals named Denis de Rome, Anne Aubert, Guillaume Bonhomme, Pierre Dupré, Martel, Jean LeChasseur, the two daughters of the late Becquet, Notary, Jean Amiot, Charles Amiot, René Pasquier, the Rev. Jesuit, Fathers d'Auteuil, De la Motte de Lucière, Laurens Philipe, Jacques le Fevre, de Vitré, the Ursuline Nuns Quebec, Dugué, and De Pommainville; and His Majesty being desirous of confirming the said concessions, so as to render the enjoyment thereof peaceable and perpetual, in favor of the persons above mentioned, their heirs and assigns; His Majesty in Council hath confirmed and doth confirm the concessions made by the Sieur De La Barre, and by the Sieur De Meulles, conjointly, in favor the said De Rome, Hubert, Bonhomme, Dupré, Martel, LeChasseur, the two daughters of the late Becquet, Jean Amiot, Charles Amiot, Pasquier, the Rev. Jesuit Fathers, D'Auteuil, de la Motte de Lucière, Laurens Philipes, Le Fevre, de Vitré, the Ursuline Nuns, Dugué, and De Pommainville, and doth order that they do enjoy the same, together with their heirs and assigns, in the manner and form stated in the said deeds of concession, without being liable to be troubled in the possession and enjoyment thereof, for any cause or under any circumstances whatsoever, on condition that they shall clear and improve the lands conceded to them within six years from the date of the said concessions, under pain of their becoming null, and also on condition that they shall pay the dues with which they are charged; and for the due execution of the present decree, all the necessary letters shall issue. It is His Majesty's will that the present decree, together with the said concessions, be enregistered in the Sovereign Council of New France, sitting in the town of Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when necessary. Done at the King's Council of State, held at Versailles, in presence of His Majesty, on the fifteenth of April, one thousand six hundred and eighty-four.

(Signed, "COLBERT."

Louis, by the grace of God, King of France and of Navarre,—To our beloved and faithful Councillors, the Sieur De La Barre, our Governor and Lieutenant General in Canada, and the Sieur De Meulles, Intendant of Justice, Police and Finance in the said country, and to our beloved and faithful Councillors holding our Sovereign Council in New France, sitting in the town of Quebec, Greeting: —By the decree passed in our presence, in our Council of State, this day, an xtract from which is hereunto affixed under the counterseal of Our Chancery, we ave confirmed the concessions made to the individuals named de Rome, Aubert, Bonhomme, du Pré, Martel LeChasseur, the two danghters of the late Becquet, Jean Amiot, Charles Amiot, Pasquier, the Jesuit Fathers, D'Auteuil, de la Motte, de Lucière, Laurens Philipes, Le Fevre, de Vitré, the Ursuline Nuns, Dugué, and de Pommainville, by the said Sieur De La Barre, conjointly with the said Sieur De Meulles, and in consequence thereof we have ordained and do ordain that they, together with their heirs and assigns, do enjoy the same in the manner and form stated in the deeds of concession, without being liable to be disturbed in the possession or enjoyment thereof, on condition that they shall improve and clear the lands conceded to them within six years from the day of the date of the said concessions, under pain of their becoming null, and on condition also that they do pay the dues with which they may be charged. We command our faithful and beloved Councillors holding our Sovereign Council in New France, assembled in the said town of Quebec, to have the present decree enregistered there; for the due execution whereof, we command one of the bailiffs of our said Council, to fulfil all the necessary duties, without requiring any other authority; for such is our

pleasure. Given at Versailles, the fifteenth day of April, in the year of grace one thousand six hundred and eighty-four, and in the forty-first year of our reign.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, by the King, (Signed,) COLBERT.

And sealed at the end with the great seal in yellow wax and countersealed.

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*Ratification of the grant of the Seigniory of Trois Pistoles, in favor of the Sieur Charles Denys de Vitré.*

Dated, the 1st January, 1688.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun. Letter B. folio 76.

This day, the first of January, one thousand six hundred and eighty-eight, the King being at Versailles, and considering the very humble petition presented to him by the Sieur Denys de Vitré, a Councillor in the Council of Canada, praying that he would confirm the grant made in his favor on the sixth of January, in the year 1687, in His Majesty's name, by the Marquis de Denonville, his Governor and Lieutenant General, and the Sieur de Champigny, Intendant of the said country, of two leagues in front along the River St. Lawrence, to be owned by him as a fief—His Majesty hath confirmed and ratified and doth confirm and ratify the said grant made in favor of the said Sieur De Vitré, of the said two leagues in front along the River St. Lawrence, on the south side thereof, commencing at the concession of the Sieur de Villeray and descending the said River St. Lawrence, comprising the Trois Pistoles River, and the islands which may be within the extent of the said concession, by two leagues in depth, with the right of hunting and trading with the Indians, as enjoyed by the individuals who own the adjoining concession, the said land to be held as a fief and seigniory and with the right of jurisdiction on condition of paying fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said grant shall be held, on payment of the customary rights and dues according to the Custom of Paris, and under the other charges, clauses and conditions stipulated in the said grant, to hold to him, his heirs and assigns forever as their own property (*comme de leur propre*) without being disturbed or troubled henceforth by reason thereof. His Majesty doth command the said Sieurs de Denonville and de Champigny to place the said Sieur de Vitré, his heirs and assigns, in the full, peaceable and perpetual enjoyment of the lands conceded, and doth also command the officers of the Council of Canada to look to the fulfilment of the same and to the enregistration of the present Letters Patent, which His Majesty hath signed in testimony of his will, and had countersigned by me his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, (Signed,) COLBERT.

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*Ratification of the grant of the fief Bonsecours, situate between the lands of the Ursuline Nuns and those of the Widow Duquet, in favor of the Sieur Mathieu Amiot de Villeneuve.*

Dated the 1st of March 1688.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun. Letter B. folio 81.

This day, the first of March, one thousand six hundred and eighty eight, the King being at Versailles, and considering the very humble petition presented to him by the Sieur Mathieu Amiot de Villeneuve, praying him to confirm and ratify the grant made in his favor on the sixteenth of April in the year one thousand six hundred and eighty-seven, in his Majesty's name, by the Marquis de Denonville, Governor and Lieutenant General, and by the Sieur de Champigny, Intendant of the said country of Canada, of seventy-four arpents of land fronting upon the south side of River St. Lawrence, by two leagues in depth, the said extent of land to be held as a fief, His Majesty hath confirmed and ratified the said grant in favor of the said Sieur Amiot of the said seventy-four arpents in front on the River St. Lawrence, by two leagues in depth, joining on one side to the lands of the Ursuline Nuns, and on the other side to the Widow Duquet; the said land to be held as a fief and seigniory, on condition of paying fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said grant be held, and on payment of the customary rights and dues according to the Custom of Paris, and subject to the other charges, clauses and conditions stated in the said grant, to hold to him, his heirs and assigns for ever as their own property, (*comme de leur propre*), without being liable to be disturbed or troubled henceforth by reason thereof. His Majesty doth command the said Sieurs de Denonville and de Champigny to place the said Sieur Amiot, his heirs and assigns, in the full, peaceable and perpetual enjoyment of the land conceded, and doth also command the officers of the Council of the said country of Canada to see that they be maintained therein, and that the present Letters Patent be enregistered; and in testimony of His will, His Majesty hath signed the same and ordered it to be countersigned by me his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) "LOUIS,"

And lower down, " "COLBERT."

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*Ratification of the grant of the Seigniory of l'Isle aux Coudres in favor of the Gentlemen of the Seminary of Quebec.*

Dated, 1st March, 1688.

Extract from the register Ins, Sup. Coun. Letter B, folio 81.

This day, the first of the month of March, one thousand six hundred and eighty-eight, the King being at Versailles, and considering the very humble petition presented to him by the Superior of the Seminary of Quebec in Canada, praying him to confirm and ratify the grant made to the said Seminary on the twenty-ninth of October, in the year 1687, in His Majesty's name, by the Marquis de Denonville, Governor and Lieutenant General, and the Sieur de Champigny, Intendant of the said country, of the Isle aux Coudres and of the shoals around it, the whole to be owned as a fiefs, His Majesty hath confirmed and ratified, and doth hereby confirm and ratify the said grant made to the said Seminary of the said Isle aux Coudres, and the shoals surrounding the said Island, to hold the same as a fief on condition of paying fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said grant shall be held, and on payment of the ordinary rights

and dues, according to the Custom of Paris, and subject to the other charges, clauses and conditions stated in the said grant, to be enjoyed forever as their own property, (*comme de leur propre*), without being liable to be troubled or disturbed from henceforth by reason thereof. His Majesty doth command the said Sieurs de Denonville and de Champigny to place the said Seminary in the full, peaceable and perpetual enjoyment of the land mentioned in the said grant, and doth also command the officers of the council of the said country to see to it, and to cause the present Letters Patent to be enregistered, His Majesty having signed the same in testimony of his will and had it countersigned by me his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) "LOUIS,"

And lower down, " "COLBERT."

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*Ratification of the Grant of all the Beaches situate in front of the lands and Seigniories of the Gentlemen of the Seminary of Quebec.*

Dated 1st., March, 1688.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun. Letter B, folio 80.

This first day of the month of March, one thousand six hundred and eighty-eight, the King being at Versailles, and considering the very humble petition presented to him by the Superior of the Seminary of Quebec, in Canada, praying him to confirm and ratify the grant made to the said Seminary on the twenty-ninth of October, in the year 1687, in His Majesty's name, by the Marquis de Denonville, Governor and Lieutenant General, and the Sieur de Champigny, Intendant of the said country of Canada, of the beaches situate on the extent and in front of all the lands belonging to the said Seminary, on the north side of the river St. Lawrence, together with the Sault au Matelot as far as the lands of the Hotel Dieu of Quebec, and in front of the lands of the Seigniory of Beaupré, and also in front of the other lands owned by the said Seminary, under the charges contained in the titles of ownership of the said lands, His Majesty hath confirmed and ratified, and doth hereby confirm and ratify the said grant made to the said Seminary, of the said beaches, to hold forever to the said Seminary as their own property under the conditions above mentioned (*comme de son propre*), without being liable to be disturbed or troubled from henceforth, by reason of the said grant. His Majesty doth command the said Sieurs de Denonville and de Champigny to maintain the said Seminary in the full, peaceable and perpetual enjoyment of the said grant, and doth also command the officers of the Council of the said country of Canada to see thereto, and to cause the present Letters Patent to be enregistered, which His Majesty hath signed in testimony of his will, and had countersigned by me his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) "LOUIS,"

And lower down, " "COLBERT."

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*Ratification of the grant of the place called Doüaquet near Mageis in Acadia in favor of the Sieur de Lamothe Cadillac.*

Dated the 24th May, 1689.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun. Letter B, folio 89.

This twenty-fourth day of the month of May, one thousand six hundred and eighty-nine, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grants made in his His Majesty's name of the lands granted in Canada by his Governors and Intendants in the said country, His Majesty hath confirmed and ratified and doth confirm and ratify the grant made to the Sieur Lamothe Cadillac, on the twentieth of May of the last year, one thousand six hundred and eighty-eight, by the Sieur de Denonville, Governor, and by the Sieur de Champigny, Intendant of the said country, of the place called Doüaquet, near Mageis in the dependency of Acadia, of two leagues in front on the sea-side, by two leagues in depth, divided in the middle by the river Doüaqnet which is not comprised in the grant—to hold to the said Sieur de Lamothe Cadillac, his heirs and assigns forever as their property (*comme de leur propre,*) with right of superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, as stated in the said grant, and without its being requisite on the part of the said Sieur Lamothe Cadillac, his heirs or assigns, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty being pleased to remit the same, in virtue of the present Letters Patent, to whatever sum it may amount, although the value of the present grant be not herein stated. His Majesty doth command the Governors and Intendants of the said country to maintain the said Sieur de Lamothe Cadillac, his heirs and assigns, in the full, peaceable and perpetual enjoyment of the land granted by the said grant, and doth also command the officers of the Sovereign Council of the said country to see thereto, and to enregister the present Letters Patent, which His Majesty in testimony of his will, hath been pleased to sign and have countersigned by me his Councillor, Secretary of State, and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, (Signed,) COLBERT.

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*Ratification of the grant of the River and Isle Verte, in favor of the Sieurs de la Cardonnière and D'Artigny.*

Dated, 24th May, 1689.

Extract from the register Ins Sup. Coun., Letter B, folio 89.

This twenty-fourth day of the month of May, one thousand six hundred and eighty-nine, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grants made in His Majesty's name, of lands granted in Canada by his Governors and Intendants in the said country, His Majesty hath confirmed and ratified the grant made to the Sieurs Augustin Roüer, Esquire, Sieur de la Cardonnière, and Louis Roüer, Esquire, and the Sieur D'Artigny, his brother, on the twenty seventh of April, in the year one thousand six hundred and eighty-four, by the Sieur de la Barre, then Governor and the Sieur De Meulles, Intendant of the said country, of an extent of two leagues of land in front, both forest and prairie land, along the River St. Lawrence, by two leagues in depth running inland, commencing at the river which is opposite the south side of l'Isle Verte, the said river being included, descending two leagues down the said River St. Lawrence, together with the beaches, isles and islands opposite the said two leagues and as far out as Isle Verte, which is inclu-

ded, to hold to the said Augustin and Louis Roüer, their heirs and assigns forever as their own property, (*comme de leur propre,*) as a fief, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction as stated in the title of the said grant, and without the said Augustin and Louis Roüer, their heirs or assigns, being obliged to pay to His Majesty, or the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty being pleased to remit the same to whatever sum they may amount, by virtue of the present letters patent, although the value of the said grant be not be specified therein, and though it hath not been confirmed by His Majesty within the time limited by his letters patent of the month of May, one thousand six hundred and seventy-six. His Majesty doth command the Governor and the Intendant of the said country to maintain the said Sieurs Augustin and Louis Roüer, their heirs and assigns, in the full, peaceable and perpetual enjoyment of the said grant, and doth command the officers of the Sovereign Council of the said country, to see that they be maintained therein, and that the present letters patent be enregistered, which His Majesty, in assurance of his will, hath been pleased to sign, and have countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS,

And lower down, (Signed,) COLBERT.

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*Ratification of the grant of a lot of land between Medoctec and the Long Sault upon the River St. Jean, in favor of the Sieur René Damours de Clignancour.*

Dated, the 24th May, 1689.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun., Letter B, folio 86.

This twenty-fourth day of the month of May, one thousand six hundred and eighty-nine, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the concession made in His Majesty's name of the lands granted in Canada, by his Governors and Intendants in the said country, His Majesty hath confirmed and ratified and doth confirm and ratify the concession made to the Sieur René Damours, Esquire, Sieur de Clignancour, on the twentieth of September, in the year one thousand six hundred and eighty-four by the Sieurs de la Barre, then Governor, and by DeMeulles, Intendant of the said country, of the quantity of unconceded and uninhabited land that there may be along the River St. Jean, from the place called Medoctec inclusively, as far as the Long Sault also inclusively, and which is on the way up the said River St. Jean, together with the isles and islands which may be found within the extent of two leagues in depth on each side of the said River St. Jean, to hold to the said Damours, his heirs and assigns, forever as their own property, (*comme de leur propre,*) as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, as stated in the deed of the said grant, without the said Damours, his successors or assigns, being obliged to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, he having remitted the same by virtue of the present letters patent, although the value of the said grant has not been specified therein, and has not been confirmed by His Majesty within the time stated in the letters patent of the month of May, one thousand six hundred and seventy-six, His Majesty doth command the Governor and Intendant of the said country to maintain the said Sieur Damours, his heirs and assigns, in the full, peaceable and perpetual enjoyment of the said concession, and doth also command the officers of the Sovereign Council of the said country, to see that they be main-

tained therein, and to cause the present letters patent to be enregistered, which, in assurance of his will, His Majesty hath been pleased to sign, and have countersigned by me his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, (Signed,) COLBERT.

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*Ratification of the grant of the River Richibouctou, in favor of the Sieur Louis Damour Deschaufour.*

Dated the 24th May, 1689.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun., Letter B, folio 86.

This twenty-fourth day of the month of May, one thousand six hundred and eighty-nine, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the concessions made in His Majest's name, of lands granted in Canada, by the Governors and Intendants of the said country, His Majesty hath confirmed and ratified and doth confirm and ratify the grant made to the Sieur Louis Damours, Esquire, Sieur Deschaufour, on the twentieth of September, in the year one thousand six hundred and eighty-four, by the Sieurs de La Barre, their Governor, and by De Meulles, Intendant of the said country, of the River Richibouctou, with one league of land in front on the south west side thereof, and on the other side, as far as three leagues beyond the river Richibouctouche inclusive, with the adjacent isles and islands, and in depth as far as the portage upon the said river, from which portage a line parallel to the sea shore shall be drawn, to determine the said depth, to hold to the said Sieur Damours his heirs and assigns for ever as their own property, (*comme de leur propre*), as a fief and signiory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction as stated in the said deed of concession, without the said Sieur Damours, his heirs or assigns, being obliged to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty being pleased to remit the same by virtue of the present Letters Patent, to whatever sum they may amount, although the value of the said grant has not been specified therein, and although the same has not been confirmed by His Majesty within the time stipulated by the Letters Patent of the month of May, one thousand six hundred and seventy-six. His Majesty doth command the Governor and Intendant of the said country, to maintain the said Sieur Damours, his heirs and assigns, in the full, peaceable and perpetual enjoyment of the said concession, and doth also command the officers of the Sovereign Council of the said country to see that they be maintained therein, and that the present Letters Patent be enregistered, which, in assurance of his will, His Majesty hath been pleased to sign and have countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) "LOUIS,"

And lower down, " "COLBERT."

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*Ratification of a grant of 24 arpents of land along the River Miamis and St. Joseph, in favor of the Jesuit Missionaries.*

Dated the 24th May, 1689.

Extract from the register, Ins. Sup. Cons. Letter B, folio 86.

This twenty-fourth day of the month of May, one thousand six hundred and eighty-nine, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grant made in His Majesty's name, of lands in Canada, by the Governors and Intendants of the said Country, His Majesty hath confirmed and ratified and doth confirm and ratify the grant made to Father Dablon and the other Missionaries of the said Company of Jesus, established in that country, on the first of October, of the year one thousand six hundred and eighty-six, by the Marquis de Denonville, the Governor, and the Sieur de Champigny, Intendant of the said country, of an extent of land of twenty arpents in front along the River St. Joseph, heretofore called Miamis, which falls into the south of the Lake des Illinois or Outagamis, by twenty arpents in depth, at the most convenient place they may find for the building of a chapel, and a house, and for sowing grain and planting vegetables; to hold to the said Father Dablon and the other Missionaries, their successors or assigns, for ever, as their own property, (*comme de leur propre*), as stated in the said deed of grant, and without the said Father Dablon and the other Missionaries, their successors or assigns, being obliged to pay to His Majesty, or the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty being pleased to remit the same by the present Letters Patent, to whatever sum they may amount, although the value of the said concession be not specified therein, and although it hath not been confirmed by His Majesty within the time specified by the Letters Patent of the month of May, one thousand six hundred and twenty-six. His Majesty doth command the Governor and the Intendant of the said country to maintain the said Father Dablon and the other Missionaries in the full, peaceable and perpetual enjoyment of the said concession, and doth also command the officers of the Sovereign Council of the said country to see that they be maintained therein, and that the present Letters Patent be enregistered, which, in assurance of his will, His Majesty hath been pleased to sign, and to have countersigned by me, his Councillor, Srecretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS,

And lower down, " COLBERT.

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*Ratification of the grant of the Fief Rimouski, in favor of the Sieur Augustin Rouer de la Cardonnière.*

Dated the 24th May, 1689.

Extract from the Register Ins. Sup. Coun., Letter B, folio 85.

This twenty-fourth day of the month of May one thousand six hundred and eighty-nine, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grants made in His Majesty's name, of lands in Canada by the Governors and the Intendants of the said country, His Majesty hath confirmed and ratified the grant made to the Sieur Augustin Rouer, Sieur de la Cardonnière, on the twenty-fourth of April of the last year one thousand six hundred and eighty-eight, of an extent of two leagues of prairie and wood land in front on the River St. Lawrence, commencing and adjoining the concession of Bic, belonging to the Sieur de Vitré and descending the said River, by two leagues in depth running inland, together with the River of Remousqui

and the other rivers and streams, if any there be within the said extent of land, and also the Island of St. Bernabé, and the shoals and islands which there may be between the mainland and the above mentioned island; to hold to the said Augustin Rouer, his heirs and assigns for ever as their own property, (*comme de leur propre*), as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction as stated in the title of the said concession, and without the said Augustin Rouer, his heirs or assigns being required to pay to His Majesty or to the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty being pleased to remit the same by virtue of the present Letters Patent to whatever sum they may amount, although the value of the said grant be not stated therein. His Majesty doth command the Governor and the Intendant of the said country to maintain the said Sieur Rouer, his heirs and assigns, in the full peaceable and perpetual enjoyment of the said grant, and doth also command the officers of the Sovereign Council of the said country, to see that they be maintained therein, and to have the present Letters Patent enregistered, which, in testimony of his will, His Majesty hath been pleased to sign and have countersigned by me his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, " COLBERT.

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*Letters and Decree of Confirmation of the grants to different individuals therein mentioned, of several Fiefs, Lands, Islands and Rivers in Canada, from the 15th November,* 1688, *to the 15th October,* 1688.

Dated the 14th July, 1690.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun., Letter B, folio 90.

Louis, by the Grace of God, King of France and of Navarre,—To all present and hereafter, Greeting:—

Our dear and well beloved the Srs. de Denonville, our Governor and Lieutenant General in Canada, and de Champigny, Councillor in our Councils, Intendant of Justice, Police and Finance in the said country, having, in virtue of our Letters Patent of the twentieth of May, one thousand six hundred and seventy-six, which empower them conjointly to make grants of land as well to the old inhabitants as to the new settlers who come to establish themselves there, granted, from the fifteenth of November, one thousand six hundred and eighty-eight to the fifteenth of October, one thousand six hundred and eighty-nine, several fiefs, lands, islands and rivers, to different individuals, we have confirmed the said grants by the decree (an extract from which is hereunto affixed under the counterseal of our Chancery) of this day, in our State Council, in our presence, by which decree we have also granted to the Sieurs de la Forest and Fonty the establishment built at the fort St. Louis des Ilinois, by the late Sieur de la Salle; and we have ordered that all the necessary letters be issued. For these reasons, we have, in virtue of these presents bearing our signature, confirmed and we do confirm the grants made to the persons named Denis Riverin, Pierre Chesnet, François Pachot, to the said Riverin, to a person named Chanion and associates, to François Hazeur, Louis Lavasseur, Mathieu Martin, François Charron, to the Sieurs d'Artigny, and la Chesnaye, Jacques de Fayé, Pierre Levasseur, Michel Guyon, to the said Sieurs la Chesnaye, Pachot, Poisset and associates, André de Chaulne, Marie Joseph Leneuf, Michel DeGrez, Philippes Esnault, Jean Petit, René Fezeret, to the Sieur de la Porte Louvigny, to the Sieur de St. Castin and to the Jesuit Fathers, by the said Sieurs de Denonville et de Champigny; It is our will that they, their heirs and assigns, do enjoy the same,

in the manner and form stated in the deeds of concession, without being liable to be disturbed for any cause or on any occasion whatever, on the condition that they shall clear and improve the lands conceded to them, within six years from the date of the said grants, under pain of the same becoming null together with these presents. It is also our will that the said de la Forest and Fonty, together with their heirs and assigns, do enjoy the Fort de St. Louis aux Illinois, and also the lands conceded to the said de la Salle, under the terms and conditions stated in the concession which was granted him thereof and in the Letters Patent of confirmation. We therefore command our beloved and faithful Councillors, holding our Sovereign Council at Quebec, to cause these presents to be enregistered and executed according to their form and tenor, and to maintain the individuals above named, in the full peaceable and perpetual enjoyment and use thereof, without allowing them to be at all disturbed. For such is our pleasure, and in order that the above may be fully and for ever established, we have had our seal affixed to the presents. Given at Versailles, the fourteenth day of July, in the year of Grace one thousand six hundred and eighty, and in the forty-eighth year of our reign.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And on the other side, By the King, COLBERT.

*Visa*, BOUCHERAT.

For Letters Patent, grant of lands mentioned in the said letters.

(Signed,) COLBERT.

And sealed with the Great Seal and green wax, upon ties of red and green silk, and countersealed with the same wax and ties.

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(*Extract from the Registers of the State Council.*)

The King in Council, seeing the Letters Patent of the twentieth of May, one thousand six hundred and seventy-six, empowering the Governor and Lieutenant General in Canada, and the Intendant of Justice, Police and Finance in the said country, jointly to make grant of land both to the old inhabitants and to the new settlers who might come to establish themselves there, on condition that these grants shall be laid before them within the year of their date, for the purpose of being enregistered, and that the lands grant shall be cleared and improved within six years from the date of their being grant, under pain of such grant becoming null; the said letters being enregistered in the Sovereign Council of Canada, on the nineteenth of October, one thousand six hundred and seventy-six; the statement of the grants made by the Sieur de Denonville, Governor General and Lieutenant General, and by the Sieur de Champigny, Intendant of Justice, Police and Finance in the said country, from the fifteenth of November, one thousand six hundred and eighty-eight, to the fifteenth of October, one thousand six hundred and eighty-nine, of several fiefs, lots of land, islands and rivers to the persons named Denis Riverin, Pierre Chesnet, François Pachot, to the said Riverin, to the individuals named Chanion and associates, François Hazeur, Louis Levasseur, Mathieu Martin, François Charron, to the Sieurs d'Artigny et la Chesnays, Jacques de Faye, Pierre Levasseur, Michel Guyon, to the said Sieurs de la Chesnaye, Pachot, Poisset and associates, André de Chaine, Marie Joseph LeNeuf, Michel Degrez, Philippe Esnault, Jean Petit, René Fezeret, to the Sieur de la Porte de Louvigny, to the Sieur de St. Castin

and to the Jesuit Fathers. Seeing also the Petition presented to His Majesty by the Sieurs de la Forest and Fonty, to the effect that he would be pleased to grant the establishment built at the Fort Saint Louis des Illinois by the Sieur de la Salle, since whose death they have maintained it with a great deal of care and expense. His Majesty wishing to confirm the said grants, so as to render the enjoyment thereof by the individuals above named, their heirs and assigns, peaceable and perpetual, and to give the said de la Forest and Fonty the means of working with more assiduity for the maintenance and augmentation of the establishment built by the said de la Salle, by securing them the possession thereof; His Majesty in Council, hath confirmed and doth confirm the grants made to the said Riverin, Chesnet, Pachot, Riverin, Chanion and associates, Hazeur, Louis Levasseur, Martin, Charron, d'Artigny and de la Chesnaye, de Faye, Pierre Levasseur, Guyon, Lachesnays, Pachot and associates, de Chaulne, LeNeuf, Degrez, Esnault, Petit, Fezeret, Louvigny, St. Castin and to the Jesuit Fathers, by the said Sieurs de Denonville and Champigny; he doth ordain that they, with their heirs and assigns, do enjoy the same in the form and manner stated in the deeds of grant, without being liable to be disturbed for any cause or under any pretence whatever, on condition that they shall clear and improve the lands conceded to them, within six years from the date of the said grants, under pain of the same becoming null, and also on condition that they shall pay the dues with which they charged. His Majesty doth also ordain that the said de la Forest and Fonty, with their heirs and assigns, shall enjoy the said Fort St. Louis at Illinois together with the lands granted to the said de la Salle, under the terms and conditions contained in the grant which was made to him and also in the Letters Patent of confirmation; and for the due execution of the present decree all the necessary letters shall be issued. It is His Majesty's will that the present decree together with the said grants be enregistered in the Sovereign Council of Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when necessary.

Done in the King's State Council, held in His Majesty's presence, at Versailles on the fourteenth day of July, one thousand six hundred and ninety.

(Signed,) COLBERT.

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*Ratification of the grant of a lot of land between Medoktek and Nacchouak in Acadia, in favor of the Sieur François Genaple de Bellefond.*

Dated the 2nd March, 1691.

Extract from the Register Ins. Sup. Coun. Letter B, folio 93.

This second day of the month of March, one thousand six hundred and ninety-one, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grants of land made in his name in Canada, during the year one thousand six hundred and ninety-one, by the Count of Frontenac and the Sieur de Champigny, Governor and Intendant of the said country, under the authority delegated to them by him, His Majesty hath confirmed and ratified the grant made by them to the Sieur François Genaple de Bellefond, Notary Royal at Quebec, of a lot of land situate upon the River St. Jean in Acadia, between Medoktek and Nacchouak which joins the land of Jemesec, to wit, the place called the *Longues Veües*, commencing at the River called Skouteopskek as far as the place and River called Nercaoioutquek, by two leagues in depth running inland, on each side of the said River St. Jean; together with the isles and islands within the said extent. To hold the said land to the said Sieur François Genaple, his heirs or assigns, forever, as their own property (*comme de leur propre*), as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean

and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading throughout the said extent of land, under the charges contained in the title of the said grant, bearing date the fifth of February, one thousand six hundred and ninety, without the said François Genaple, his heirs or assigns, being bound, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same, to whatever sum they may amount, by the present Letters Patent, which he hath been pleased to sign, and have countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, PHELIPPEAUX.

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*Ratificatiou of the grant of the place called Miramichy, in favor of the Sieur Nicolas Denys de Frontenac.*

Dated 16th March, 1691.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun., Letter B, folio 104.

This sixteenth day of the month of March, one thousand six hundred and ninety-one, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grants of land made in his name in Canada, during the year one thousand six hundred and ninety, by the Count de Frontenac and the Sieur de Champigny, Governor and Intendant of the said country, under the authority delegated to them by him, His Majesty hath confirmed and ratified and doth confirm and ratify the grant made by them in favor of the Sieur Nicolas Denys de Frontenac, in Acadia, of the place called Miramichy, established and limited by an order in Council of the seventeenth of April, one thousand six hundred and eighty-seven, to fifteen leagues in front, by fifteen leagues depth, commencing at the River *aux Truites* inclusive, running one league to the south-east and the other fourteen leagues to the north, together with the points, isles and islands opposite of the said fifteen leagues front; to hold to him, his heirs and assigns, as their own property (*comme de leur propre*), upon the conditions contained in the said order of the eighteenth of April, one thousand six hundred and ninety, without the said Nicolas Denys de Fronsac, his heirs or assigns, being bound, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty or to the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty, having remitted the same to whatever sum they may amount, by the present Letters Patent, which he hath been pleased to sign, and have countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, PHELIPPEAUX.

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*Ratification of a grant of* 12 *leagues in front by* 10 *leagues in depth at the Bay des Chaleurs, in favor of the Sieur Pierre LeMoyne d'Iberville.*

Dated the 16th March, 1691.

Extract from the register Ins, Sup, Coun., Letter B, folio 105.

This sixteenth day of the month of March, one thousand six hundred and ninety-one, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grants of land made in his name in Canada, during the year one thousand six hundred and ninety, by the Count de Frontenac and the Sieur de Champigny, the Governor and the Intendant of the

said country, under the authority delegated to them by him, His Majesty hath confirmed and ratified and doth confirm and ratify the grant made by them to the Sieur LeMoyne d'Iberville, of an extent of land of twelve leagues in front by ten leagues in depth, at the Bay des Chaleurs, in Acadia, together with the rivers which may be thereon, the said twelve leagues to commence at the boundary of the concession of the Sieur Gobin, running partly to the north-west and partly to the east south-east, together with the River Ristigouche, and the points, isles and islands and shoals which may be in front of the same; to hold to the said Sieur LeMoyne d'Iberville, his heirs or assigns, forever, as their own property (*comme de leur propre*), as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, under the conditions contained in the title of the said grant of the twenty-sixth of May, one thousand six hundred and ninety, without its being requisite, by reason thereof, for the said Sieur LeMoyne d'Iberville, his heirs or assigns, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to them, to whatever sum it may amount, by the present Letters Patent, which he hath signed himself, and had countersigned by me, his Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, " PHELIPPEAUX.

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*Ratification of a grant of 12 leagues in front by ten leagues in depth at the Bay des Chaleurs, in favor of the Sieur Gobin.*

Dated the 16th March, 1691.

Extract from the Register Ins. Sup. Coun. Letter B, folio 105.

This sixteenth day of the month of March, one thousand six hundred and ninety-one, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grants of land made in his name in Canada, during the year one thousand six hundred and ninety, by the Count de Frontenac and the Sieur de Champigny, the Governor and the Intendant of the said country of Canada, under the authority which he has delegated to them, His Majesty hath confirmed and ratified and doth confirm and ratify the grant made by them to the Sieur Gobin, a merchant of Quebec, of an extent of land of twelve leagues in front by ten leagues in depth, at the Bay des Chaleurs, in Acadia, together with the rivers that there may be thereon, the said twelve leagues to commence at the boundary of the concession of the Sieur de Fronsac, which was determined by an Ordinance of the eighteenth of April last, running towards the north-west, together with the points of land, isles, islands and shoals which may be in front of the same; to hold to the said Sieur Gobin, his heirs and assigns, forever, as their own property (*comme de leur propre*), as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, and subject to the conditions contained in the said grant of the twenty-sixth of May, one thousand six hundred and ninety, without its being requisite, by reason thereof, for the said Sieur Gobin, his heirs or assigns, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity; His Majesty having remitted the same to them, to whatever sum it may amount, by virtue of the present Letters Patent, which he hath been pleased to sign himself, and to have countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, " PHELIPPEAUX.

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*Ratification of the Grant of the place called Mouscoudabouet, in Acadia, in favor of the Sieur Mathieu de Goutin.*

Dated the 18th February, 1692.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun. Letter B, folio 96.

This eighteenth day of the month of February, one thousand six hundred and ninety-two, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the Grant made in his name on the fourth of August, one thousand six hundred and ninety-one, by the Count de Frontenac, Governor and Lieutenant General, and the Sieur de Champigny, Intendant of Justice, Police and Finance, in the said country of Canada, to the Sieur Mathieu de Goutin, Lieutenant General of Acadia, of the place known by the Indians under the name of Mouscoudabouet, to wit, one league above the river of that name and one league below by two leagues in depth, ascending the said river and along the same, together with the Isles, Islands and beaches opposite of the said two leagues front, and in the said river along the said depth; to hold to the said Sieur de Goutin, his heirs or assigns for ever, as their own property (*comme de leur propre*) as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, and the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the said extent, and subject to the other clauses and conditions mentioned in the said Grant, without being held, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty or to the Kings, his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to him to whatever sum it may amount, by the present Letters Patent, which, in testimony of his will, he hath been pleased to sign and to have countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, " PHÉLIPEAUX.

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*Ratification of the Grant of the Fief Ste. Marguerite or Marquisat du Sablé, in favor of the Sieur Jacques Du Bois.*

Dated the 18th February, 1692.

Extract from the register, Book of Intendance, No. 17, folio 632.

This eighteenth day of the month of February, one thousand six hundred and ninety-two, the King being at Versailles, and being informed that the lands which had been granted on the first of February, one thousand six hundred and ninety-nine to the Sieur Boyvinet, had been abandoned since his death, which occurred in the year 1686, and that a gift thereof had been made in His Majesty's name on the twenty-seventh of July, one thousand six hundred and ninety-one, to the Sieur Jacques Du Bois, inhabitant of Three Rivers, by the Count de Frontenac, His Majesty's Governor and Lieutenant General, and the Sieur de Champigny, Intendant of Justice, Police and Finance, in the said country of Canada, and wishing to confirm and ratify the said new Grant made by them in favor of the said Sieur Jacques Du Bois, of the said lands so abandonned since the death of the Sieur Boyvinet, consisting of three quarters of a league, or thereabouts, in front, behind the concessions along the river St. Lawrence, above the said Three Rivers, and belonging to the Jesuit Fathers and to the Sieur St. Paul, joining on the south west side the Sieurs Vieuxpont, and on the north east side the said river of Three Rivers, with the depth that there may be as far as the fiefs de Tonnancourt and St. Maurice; to hold to the said Sieur Du Bois, his heirs and assigns for

ever, as their own property, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis, at Quebec, and on payment of the ordinary rights and dues, and subject to the other clauses and conditions mentioned in the said Grant, without being required by reason thereof to pay to His Majesty or to the Kings, his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty being pleased to remit the same, to whatever sum they may amount, by the present Letters Patent, which, in assurance of His Will, he hath been pleased to sign and to have countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Thus signed,) LOUIS,

And lower down, " PHELYPEAUX.

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*Ratification of the Grant of the Fief LaMartinière, situated between the Seigniories of Lauzon and Montapeine, in favor of Sieur Claude Bermen de la Martinière.*

Dated the 1st March, 1693.

Extract from the register, ins. Sup. Coun. Letter B. folio 113.

This first day of the month of March,one thousand six hundred and ninety-three, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to ratify and confirm the Grants of land made in his name in Canada, during the year one thousand six hundred and ninety-two, by the Count de Frontenac and the Sieur de Champigny, the Governor and the Intendant of the said Country, in virtue of the power delegated to them by His Majesty, hath confirmed and ratified and doth confirm and ratify the Grant made by them to the Sieur Claude de Bermen de la Martinière, Councillor of the Sovereign Council of Quebec, of the extent of land that there may be, (if any part thereof be unconceded) between the Seigniory of Lauzon and the Seigniory of Mont-à-peine, or the fief of the Sieur de Vitré, by the same depth as the said Seigniory Lauzon, if no person be proprietor thereof; to hold to the said Sieur de la Martinière, his heirs or assigns forever, as their own property, (*comme de leur propre*) as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, and under the conditions stated in the title of the said Grant of the fifth of August, one thousand six hundred and ninety-two, without its being requisite, by reason thereof, for the said Sieur de la Martinière or his heirs or assigns to pay to His Majesty or to the Kings, his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty being pleased to remit the same, to whatever sum they may amount, by the present Letters Patent which he hath been pleased to sign himself and to have countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) " LOUIS."

" " PHELIPPEAUX."

And lower down,

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*Ratification of the concession of the River Ramouctou between Jemsec and Nacchoüac, at the River St. Jean, in favor of the Sieur Mathieu Damours.*

Dated the 1st March, 1693.

Extract from the register, Ins. Sup. Coun. Letter B, folio 112.

This first day of the month of March, one thousand six hundred and ninety-three, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to ratify and confirm the Grants of land made in his name in Canada, during the year one thousand six hundred and eighty-four, by the Sieurs de la Barre et de Meules, heretofore Governor and Intendant of the said country, in virtue of the power delegated to them by him, His Majesty hath confirmed and ratified and doth confirm and ratify the Grant made by them to the Sieur Mathieu Damours, Esquire, of the unconceded and uninhabited lands along the River St. Jean, between Jemsec and Nacchoüac, by two leagues in depth on each side of the said River St. Jean, which is included, with the Isles and Islands that may be therein, together with the River Ramouctou as far as the said depth of two leagues extends. To hold to the said Damours, his heirs and assigns forever, as their own property (*comme de leur propre,*) as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, and subject to the charges and conditions contained in the title of the said Grant of the twentieth of September, one thousand six hundred and eighty-four, without its being requisite for the said Sieur Damours, his heirs or assigns, to pay to His Majesty or to the Kings, his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, which, to whatever sum it may amount, he hath remitted them by the present Letters Patent which he hath been pleased to sign and have countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.
" PHELIPPEAUX.

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*Ratification of a Granl of four leagues in front by two leagues in depth upon the River St. Jean, in Acadia, in favor of Dame Marie Françoise Chartier, Widow of the Sieur de Marson.*

Dated the 1st March, 1693.

Extract from the register, Ins. Sup. Coun. Letter B, folio 110.

This first day of the month of March, one thousand six hundred and ninety-three, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to ratify and confirm the concessions of land made in his name in Canada, during the year one thousand six hundred and ninety-one, by the Count de Frontenac and the Sieur de Champigny, Governor and Intendant of the said country, in virtue of the power delegated to them by His Majesty, hath confirmed and ratified and doth confirm and ratify the Grant made by them to Dame Marie Françoise Chartier, widow of the Sieur de Marson, heretofore Commandant in Acadia, of an extent of land at the River St. Jean, in Acadia aforesaid, of four leagues in front upon the said river and two leagues in depth, on the other side of and opposite to the concession of the Sieur DeChaufour called Jemsec, the centre of which four leagues will be opposite the house of Jemsec; to hold to the said lady as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, and the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the whole extent of the said concession, under the conditions contained in the title thereof, bearing date on the twenty-third of March, one

thousand six hundred and ninety-one, without its being requisite for the said Dame Françoise Chartier, or her heirs or assigns, to pay unto His Majesty or to the Kings, his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, which, to whatever sum it may amount, he hath remitted to them by virtue of the present Letters Patent which His Majesty hath been pleased to sign and have countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.
" PHELIPPEAUX.

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*Ratification of the grant of the Grande Vallée des Monts Notre Dame, in favor of the Sieur Francois Hazeur.*

Extract from the Frenct Register of enregistration Letter A, page 170.

This first day of the month of March, one thousand six hundred and ninety-three, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to ratify and confirm the grants of land made in his name in Canada, during the year one thousand six hundred and ninety-one, by the Count de Frontenac and the Sieur de Champigny, the Governor of the Intendant of the said country in virtue of the power delegated to them by His Majesty, hath confirmed and ratified and doth confirm and ratify the grant made by them to the Sieur François Hazeur, a merchant of Quebec, of an extent of land, at the place called la Grande Vallée des Monts Notre Dame on the south side of the river St. Lawrence, at two leagues from the river de la Magdeleine, and four leagues from the Pond descending towards Gaspé. This extent of land to contain two leagues, comprising the river which runs through the said Vallée des Monts, the said two leagues in front to commence at one league above the said river and to extend one league below it, by three leagues in depth, running inland, for the purpose of establishing a cod fishery and forming other settlements for the advancement of the country, with the Isles and Islands which may be in front of the said two leagues and in the said river to the depth of the said three leagues; to hold to the said Sieur Hazeur, his heirs and assigns for ever, as their own property (*comme de leur propre*) as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of fishing, hunting and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said concession, under the conditions contained in the title thereof, bearing date the twenty-third of March one thousand six hundred and ninety-one, without its being requisite, by reason thereof, for the said Sieur Hazeur, his heirs or assigns, to pay to His Majesty or to the Kings his successors any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to them, by the present Letters Patent, which he hath been pleased to sign, and to have countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS,
" PHELIPPEAUX.

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*Ratification of the grant of the fief Fossambault, in favor of the Sieur Alexandre Peuvret de Gaudarville.*

Dated the 15th April 1694.

Extract from the register Books. of Intendance No. 10 to 17. folio 642.

This fifteenth day of the month of April, one thousand six hundred and ninety-four, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grants of land made in his name in Canada, during the year one thousand six hundred and ninety-three, by the Count de Fron-

tenac and the Sieur de Champigny, the Governor and the Intendant of the said country, in virtue of the power delegated to them by His Majesty, hath confirmed and ratified and doth confirm and ratify the grant made by them to the Sieur Alexandre Peuvret, Esquire, Sieur de Gauderville, of three leagues of land in depth, behind the fief de Gauderville, together with all the adjoining lands behind the fiefs of the Sieurs Demaure and Guillaume Bonhomme, extending as far as the depth of the same line, running north east and south west, which terminates the said three leagues, so that all the land comprised within the present grant shall be bounded at one end, in front, to the south west, by the lines which terminate the depths of the said fiefs of Gauderville, Bonhomme and Demaure, and in rear, to the north west, by a line running also north east and south west which shall terminate the depth of the said three leagues behind the said fief of Gauderville and be extended in a straight line as far as the fief de Neuville, and on one side, to the north east, partly by the lands of the fief of Sillery, and partly by the lands of Gauderville and by those belonging to the said Bonhomme, and on the other side, towards the south west, by the lands of the said fief de Neuville; to hold to the said Sieur Peuvret de Gauderville, his heirs and assigns for ever as their own property (*comme de leur propre*) as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, with the right of trading, hunting and fishing, even in front of the said fief of Gauderville, on condition of paying fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, and on the other conditions contained in the said grant of the twentieth of February, 1693, which is to bear the name of "Fossambault," without its being requisite, by reason thereof, for the said Sieur Peuvret de Gauderville, or his heirs or assigns, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings, his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to them, to whatever sum they may amount, by the present Letters Patent, which he hath been pleased to sign and to have countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS,

And lower down, " PHELYPEAUX.

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*Ratification of a grant between Jacques Cartier and Point aux Trembles, in favor of the Sieur François Magdeleine Ruette Dauteuil.*

Dated the 15th April 1694.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun. Letter B. folio 122.

This fifteenth day of the month of April, one thousand six hundred and ninety-four, the King being at Versailles and wishing to confirm and ratify the grants of land made in his name in Canada, during the year one thousand six hundred and ninety-three, by the Count de Frontenac and the Sieur de Champigny, the Governor and the Intendant of the said country, in virtue of the power which His Majesty hath delegated to them, hath confirmed and ratified and doth confirm and ratify the grant made by them to the Sieur François Magdeleine Ruette, Esquire, Sieur Dauteuille and de Monceaux, His Majesty's Attorney General in the Sovereign Council of Quebec, of four leagues and one half in depth, commencing at the end of the concession of the Sieur Toupin Dussault, by the same breadth as the concession of the said Dussault, together with the rivers, streams and all that may be formed therein, which land joins, on the south west side, the concession of the said Sieur Dauteuille, situate at the place called the river Jacques Cartier, and on the north east side to that of the Sieur Dupont; to hold to the said Sieur Dauteuille, his

heirs and assigns forever, as their own property (*comme de leur propre*) as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, on condition of rendering fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, and subject to the other conditions contained in the said grant of the fifteenth of February one thousand six hundred and ninety-three, without its being requite, by reason thereof, for the said Sieur Dauteuil, or his heirs or assigns, to pay to His Majesty or to the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty being pleased to remit the same to them, to whatever sum they may amount, by the present Letters Patent, which he hath been pleased to sign and to have countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) " LOUIS,"

And lower down, " " PHELIPPEAUX.

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*Ratification of a grant behind the Fief of l'Espignay, on the Rivière du Sud, in favor of the Sieur René LePage.*

Dated the 15th April, 1694.

Extract from the register ins. Sup. Coun. Letter B., folio 117.

This fifteenth day of the month of April, one thousand six hundred and ninety-four, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grants of land made in his name in Canada, during the year one thousand six hundred and ninety-three, by the Count de Frontenac and the Sieur de Champigny, the Governor and the Intendant of the said country, by virtue of the power which His Majesty hath delegated to them, hath confirmed and ratified, and doth confirm and ratify the grant made by them to the Sieur René Lepage, an inhabitant of l'Isle de Saint Laurent, of one league of land in front, commencing at a line to be drawn north-east and south-west, to terminate the depth of the concession of the Sieur Couillard de l'Espinay, situate at the river du sud, by two leagues in depth, joining on one side, towards the north-east, the prolongation of the line which divides the land of the Sieur l'Espinay, from those of the Sieur de Vincelot, on the other side, towards the south-west, the unconceded lands, at one end towards the north-west, the said line which terminates the depth of the land of the said Sieur de l'Espinay, and at the other end towards the south-east, another parallel line which is to bound the said two leagues in depth. To hold to the said Sieur Lepage, his heirs and assigns for ever and as their own property (*comme de leur propre*,) subject to the payment of five *sols* of *rente*, and six pence of *cens* for the King's domain, and subject to the other charges contained in the said grant of the seventeenth of March, one thousand six hundred and ninety-three, without its being requisite for the said Sieur Lepage, or his heirs or assigns to pay to His Majesty or to the Kings, his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to them, to whatever sum they may amount, by the present Letters Patent, which he hath been pleased to sign, and to have countresigned by me, His Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS,

And lower down, " PHELIPPEAUX.

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*Ratification of the grant of the Fief Mitis, in favor of the Sieur Augustin Rouer de la Cardonnière, for Louis Rouer; his son.*

Dated the 15th April, 1694.

Extract from the register book of Intendance, No. 10 to 17, folio 689.

This fifteenth day of the month of April, one thousand six hundred and ninety-four, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grants of land made in his name in Canada, during the year one thousand six hundred and ninety-three, by the Count de Frontenac and the Sieur de Champigny, the Governor and the Intendant of the said country, by virtue of the power which His Majesty hath delegated to them, hath confirmed and ratified, and doth confirm and ratify the grant made by them to the Sieur Augustin Rouer, Sieur de la Cardonnière, for and in the name of the Sieur Louis Rouer, his son, of the lake called Mitis, with one league of the land in depth all around the same, as a fief, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, and the right of hunting, fishing and trading throughout the said extent, and of passing through the river Mitis and the other rivers, and by the most convenient roads for going to and fro and conveying every thing he may think proper to the said lake; to hold to the said Sieur Louis Rouer, his heirs and assigns forever as their own property (*comme de leur propre*), on condition that they shall pay fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, and on payment of the ordinary dues and subject to the other conditions contained in the said grant of the tenth of February, one thousand six hundred and ninety-three, without its being requisite by reason thereof, for the said Sieur Louis Rouer, or his heirs or assigns, to pay to His Majesty or to the Kings, his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to them, to whatever sum they may amount, by the present Letters Patent, which he hath been pleased to sign, and to have countersigned by me, His Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS,

And lower down, " PHELYPEAUX.

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*Ratification of the grant of four leagues land in front, on each side of the river Pocmouche, the same being included, in favor of the Sieur Philippes Esnault.*

Dated, the 15th April, 1694.

Extract from the register Ins. Snp. Coun. Letter B, folio 139

This fifteenth day of the month of April, one thousand six hundred and ninety-four, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grants of land made in his name in Canada and in Acadia, during the year one thousand six hundred and ninety-three, by the Count de Frontenac and by the Sieur de Champigny, the Governor and the Intendant of the said country, by virtue of the power which His Majesty hath delegated to them, hath confirmed and ratified and doth confirm and ratify the grant made by them to the Sieur Philipes Esnault, an inhabitant of Nipisiguit in Acadia, of the River de Pocmouche, and four leagues of land in front on each side of the same, with as many in depth, including one league of land in front, heretofore conceded to one DeGrais, who has withdrawn among the English; to hold to the said Sieur Esnault, his heirs and assigns forever, as their own property, (*comme de leur propre,*) as a fief, with the right of hunting, fishing and trading, and subject to the conditions contained in the said

grant of the seventeenth of August, one thousand six hundred and ninety-three, without its being requisite by reason thereof for the said Sieur Esnault, his heirs or sssigns to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to them, to whatever sum they may amount, by the present letters patent, which he hath been pleased to sign, and to have countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, (Signed,) PHELYPEAUX.

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*Ratification of the grant of an augmentation to the Fief de la Durantaye in favor of the Sieur Olivier Morel de la Durantaye.*

Dated, the 15th April, 1694.

Extract from the register book of Intendance, No. 1 to 9, folio 397.

This fifteenth day of the month of April, one thousand six hundred and ninety-four, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grants of lands made in his name, in Canada, during the year one thousand six hundred and ninety-three, by the Count de Frontenac and the Sieur de Champigny, the Governor and the Intendant of the said Country, by virtue of the power which His Majesty hath delegated to them, hath confirmed and ratified and doth confirm and ratify the grant made by them to the Sieur Olivier Morel, Esquire, Sieur de la Durantaye, of two leagues of land in depth, commencing at the end and termination of the depth of his fief de la Durantaye, by the same breadth as the said fief de la Durantaye, which is about three leagues in front, bounded on one side towards the south-west, by the lands of Beaumont, and towards the north-east, by those of Berthier, and also of another lot of land of one league in front by as much in depth, at the upper part of the river Boyer, on account of a pine forest which is there, and which he is desirous of making use of, together with the said river Boyer, in the places where it may pass through his said fief and through the lands so granted; to hold to the said Sieur de la Durantaye, his heirs and assigns forever as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, and the right of hunting, fishing and trading, on condition of rendering fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis, at Quebec, and subject to the other charges contained in the said grant of the first of May, one thousand six hundred and ninety three, without its being requisite by reason thereof for the said Sieur Morel, or his heirs or assigns to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings, his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to them, to whatever sum they may amount, by the present Letters Patent, which he hath been pleased to sign and to have countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) " LOUIS,"

And lower down, " " PHELIPPEAUX."

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*Ratification of the grant of the fourth part of Lotbinière, in favor of the Sieur René Louis Chartier de Lotbinière.*

Dated the 15th April, 1694.

Extract from the register, book of Intendance No. 10 to 17, folio 512.

This fifteenth day of the month of April, one thousand six hundred and ninety-four, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grants of land made in his name in Canada, during the year one thousand six hundred and ninety-three, by the Count de Frontenac and the Sieur de Champigny, the Governor and the Intendant of the said Country, by virtue of the power which His Majesty hath delegated to them, hath confirmed and ratified the grant made by them to the Sieur Réné Louis Chartier, Esquire, Sieur de Lotbinière, Lieutenant General, both civil and criminal, of the *prévoté* of Quebec, of three leagues and a half of land in front, by four leagues in depth, commencing at the end and termination of the depth of his fief of Lotbinière, and of the one called *la petite rivière du Chêne*, acquired by him from the Sieur de Louvière, which, together, have a front of three leagues and a half, with the forests, prairies, islands, rivers and lakes that there may be thereon, to hold to the said Sieur Chartier, his heirs and assigns forever, as their own property, (*comme de leur propre*) as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, with the right of hunting, fishing and trading throughout the entire extent of the present grant, which shall be divided among all his children, in equal portions, forming as many distinct fiefs and seigniories, all independent of each other, without there being any right of primogeniture among them; and they shall all together be equally subject to one and the same jurisdiction, which shall be indivisible, and they shall enjoy the same together equally, in case the said Sieur Lotbinière should happen to die without otherwise disposing thereof; the whole on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis, at Quebec, and subject to the other conditions stated in the said grant of the twenty-fifth of March, one thousand six hundred and ninety-three, without its being requisite by reason thereof for the said Sieur Chartier, or his heirs or assigns to pay to His Majesty or to the Kings, his successors, any sum of money, His Majesty having remitted the same to them, to whatever sum they may amount, by the present Letters Patent which he hath been pleased to sign, and to have countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS,

And lower down, " PHELIPPEAUX.

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*Ratification of the grant of an Augmentation of the Fief Vincelot (Cap St. Ignace) in favor of the Sieur Joseph Amiot de Vincelot.*

Dated the 15th April, 1694.

Extract from the Register book of Intendance, No. 1 to 9, folio 61.

This fifteenth day of the month of April, one thousand six hundred and ninety-four, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grants of land made in his name in Canada, during the year one thousand six hundred and ninety-three, by the Count de Frontenac and the Sieur de Champigny, the Governor and the Intendant of the said country, by virtue of the power delegated to them by His Majesty, hath confirmed and ratified and doth confirm and ratify the grant made by them to the Sieur Joseph Amiot, Sieur de Vincelot, of one league of land in

front by two leagues in depth, behind the Fief de Vincelot, at the Cap St. Ignace, which also contains one league in front and only one league in depth, to hold to the said Sieur Amiot, his heirs and assigns forever as their own property (*comme de leur propre*) as a fief, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, with the right of hunting, trading and fishing throughout the extent of the said two leagues and of the first grant of one league, on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, and subject to the other conditions contained in the said grant of the first of February, one thousand six hundred and ninety-three, without its being requisite, by reason thereof, for the said Sieur Amiot or his heirs or assigns, to pay to His Majesty or to the Kings, his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to them, to whatever sum they may amount by the present Letters Patent, which he hath been pleased to sign, and to have countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, " PHELIPPEAUX.

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*Ratification of the grant of the Fief Belail, on the River Richelieu, adjoining the Seigniory of Chambly, in favor of the Sieur Jos. Hertel.*

Dated the 22th, March 1695.

Extract from the Register Book. d'Intendance, No. 1 to 9, folio 105.

This twenty-second day of the month of March, one thousand six hundred and ninety-five, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grant made in his name, on the eighteenth of January, one thousand six hundred and ninety-four, by the Count de Frontenac, Governor and Lieutenant General of His Majesty, and by the Sieur de Champigny, Intendant of Justice, Police and Finances in the said country, to the Sieur Joseph Hertel Esquire, of two leagues of land in front by one league and a half in depth, commencing on the North-West side of the Richelieu River, adjoining the Seigniory of Chambly, descending the said River, hold to him, his heirs or assigns forever as their own property (*comme de leur propre*) as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, and the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said concession, on condition of rendering fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, and on payment of the ordinary rights and dues according to the Custom of Paris; on condition that they shall preserve and cause to be preserved the oak fit for the construction of the King's ships; that they shall disclose to His Majesty or to the Governor of the said country, the mines, mining places and minerals, if any there be in the said extent of land; that they shall keep and cause their tenants to keep house and home thereon, and commence to live there, subject also to the other clauses and conditions contained in the title of the said grant, without its being requisite, by reason thereof, for the said Sieur Hertel, his heirs or assigns, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings, his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to them, to whatever sum they may amount, by the present Letters Patent, which His Majesty, in assurance of his will, hath been pleased to sign, and to have countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) "LOUIS."

" "PHELIPPEAUX."

*Ratification of the grant of the Fief of Rouville, on the River Richelieu, in favor of Jean Bte. Hertel de Rouville.*

Dated 22nd, March, 1695.

Extract from the Register Book. d'Intendance, No. 1 to 9. folio 340.

This twenty-second day of the month of March, one thousand six hundred and ninety-five, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grant made in his name on the eighteenth of January, one thousand six hundred and ninety-four, the Count de Frontenac, His Majesty's Governor and Lieutenant General and by the Sieur de Champigny, Intendant of Justice, Police and Finances in Canada, to the Sieur Jean Bte. Hertel, Esquire, Sieur de Rouville, of two leagues in front by a league and a half in depth, commencing on the south side of the Richelieu River, adjoining the Seigniory of Chambly, descending the said river, to hold to him, his heirs or assigns forever as their own property (*comme de leur propre*), as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, and the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of this concession, on condition of rendering fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, and on payment of the ordinary rights and dues according to the Custom of the *Prévoté* and *Vicomté* of Paris; on condition also that they shall preserve and cause to be preserved the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's vessels; that they shall disclose to the King or to the Governor of the said country, the mines mining places and minerals, if any there be throughout the said extent; that they shall keep and cause their tenants to keep house and home thereon (*y tenir feu et lieu*) and that they shall take up their residence there, and observe the other clauses and conditions contained in the title of the said concession, without its being requisite, by reason thereof, for the said Sieur Hertel, his heirs or assigns, to pay to His Majesty or to the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to them, to whatever sum they may amount, by the present Letters Patent, which, in assurance of his will, His Majesty hath been pleased to sign, and to have countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) "LOUIS."

And lower down, " "PHELYPEAUX."

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*Ratification of the grant of the Shoals, Islands and Isles in Lake St. Peter, below those granted to the Sieur de Sorel, in favor of Etienne Voland Radisson.*

Dated the 22nd March, 1695.

Extract from the register, Book of Intendance, No. 10 to 17, folio 431.

This twenty-second day of the month of March, one thousand six hundred and ninety-five, the King being at Versailles and wishing to confirm and ratify the grant made in his name, on the nineteenth of October one thousand six hundred and ninety-four, by the Count de Frontenac, Governor and Lieutenant General for His Majesty, and by the Sieur de Champigny, Intendant of Justice, Police and Finance in Canada, in favor of the Sieur Etienne Volant Radisson, of the unconceded isles, islands and shoals across Lake St. Peter, below the islands granted to the Sieur Sorel, from the side of the north channel, as far as the large channel of the place called the channel of "*Isle Plate*"; which isles, islands and shoals contain three quarters of a league, or thereabouts, in breadth, by the same depth, to hold to

him, his heirs or assigns forever as their own property (*comme de leur propre*) as a fief, with the right of hunting and fishing and subject to the other rights, clauses and conditions contained in the said grant, without its being requisite, by reason thereof, for the said Sieur Radisson, his heirs and assigns, to pay to His Majesty or to the Kings, his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to them, to whatever sum they may amount, by the present Letters Patent, which in assurance of his will, he hath been pleased to sign and to have countersigned by me His Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, " PHELIPEAUX.

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*Ratification of the grant of the Seigniory of St. Denis, behind the Seigniory of Contrecœur, in favor of the Sieur Louis De Ganne de Falaize.*

Dated the 22nd March, 1695.

Extract from the register, Ins. Sup. Cons. Letter C, folio 77.

This twenty second day of the month of March, one thousand six hundred and ninety-five, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grant made in his name, on the twentieth of September, one thousand six hundred and ninety-four, by the Count de Frontenac, Governor and Lieutenant General for His Majesty, and by the Sieur de Champigny, Intendant of Justice, Police and Finance in Canada, to the Sieur Louis De Ganne, Esquire, Sieur de Falaize, Lieutenant of a Company of the detachment of marines in the said Country, of two leagues of land in depth behind the land and seigniory of Countrecœur, by the whole breadth of the same, which contains two leagues, which depth will partly extend beyond the Chambly river and will run towards the same point of the compass as the said land of the Contrecœur, together with the Islands which may be in the said Chambly river, across the said depth, to hold to him, his heirs or assigns forever as their own property, (*comme de leur propre,*) as a fief, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, and the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of this concession, on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis of Quebec, and on payment of the ordinary rights and dues according to the Custom of Paris, and shall preserve and cause to be preserved the oak fit for the construction of the King's vessels; that they shall disclose to His Majesty or to the Governor of the said country, the mines, mining places and minerals, if any there be throughout the said extent, that they shall keep house and home thereon, (*y tenir feu et lieu*) and cause their tenants to do likewise, and commence to take up their residence there, and observe the other clauses and conditions mentioned in the title of the said concession, without its being requisite, by reason thereof for the said Sieur de Falaize, his heirs or assigns, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings, his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to them to whatever sum they may amount, by virtue of the present Letters Patent, which, in assurance of his will, he hath been pleased to sign, and to have countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) " LOUIS,"

And lower down, " " PHELYPEAUX."

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*Ratification of a grant of a remnant of land, between the Fief of Falaize and Cournoyer in favor of the Sieur François Desjourdy de Cabanac.*

Dated the 19th May, 1696.

Extract from the Register, ins Sup. Letter B, folio 123.

This nineteenth day of May, one thousand six hundred and ninety-six, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grants of land made in his name, in Canada, during the year one thousand six hundred and ninety-five, by the Count de Frontenac and the Sieur de Champigny, Governor, and Intendant of the said country, in virtue of the power delegated to them by His Majesty, hath confirmed and ratified, and doth confirm and ratify the grant made by them to the Sieur François Desjourdy, Esquire, Sieur Cabanac, then Captain unattached and now on full pay in the said country. of the land that remains to be granted to the north-west, of the Richelieu River, between the fiefs belonging to the Sieurs Falaise and Cournoyer, comprising about three leagues in front, and in depth as far as the lines to be drawn north-east and south-west, to terminate the depths of the concessions heretofore granted along the river St. Lawrence, which will be opposite to the said three leagues heretofore granted. To hold to the said Sieur Desjourdy de Cabanac, his heirs or assigns for ever as their property as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, and the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians througout the extent of said grant, on condition that he shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis, at Quebec, and on payment of the ordinary rights and dues according to the Custom of Paris, that he shall preserve and cause his tenants to preserve the timber fit for the construction of His Majesty's vessels, and disclose to him and to the Governor of the said country, the mines, mining places, or minerals. if any there be throughout the said extent; that he shall keep and cause his tenants to keep house and home thereon, that he shall reside thereon and cause it to be cleared as soon as the present war be finished, and furnish the necessary roads and passages, as the same is more fully detailed in the title of the said grant of the twenty-second of April, one thousand six hundred and ninety-five, without its being requisite, by reason thereof, for said Sieur Desjourdy de Cabanac, his heirs or assigns, to pay His Majesty, or the Kings his Successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty, having remitted the same to whatever sum they may amount, by the present Letters Patent which he hath been pleased to sign and to have countersigned by me his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS,
PHELIPPEAUX.

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*Ratification of the Grant of the Fief des Isles aux Cerfs, adjoining the Sieur Rouville, upon the Richelieu River, in favor of the Sieur François Hertel de la Frenière.*

Dated the 19th May, 1696.

Extract from the register Cah. d'Intendance, No. 1 to 9, folio. 158.

This nineteenth day of the month of May, one thousand six hundred and ninety-six, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grants of land made in his name, in Canada, during the year one thousand six hundred and ninety-five, by the Count de Frontenac and the Sieur de Champigny, the Governor and the Intendant of the said country, in virtue of the power delegated to them by His Majesty, hath confirmed and ratified and doth confirm and ratify the grant made by them to the Sieur François Hertel, Esquire, Sieur de la Frenière, Lieutenant unattached in the said country, of two leagues of land in front, by the same in depth, commencing on the south side of the Richelieu River, adjoining the grant of the Sieur de Rouville, his brother, descending the said River, to hold to the said Sieur Hertel de la Frenière, his heirs and assigns forever, as their own property, as a fief and seigniory, with superior mean and inferior jurisdiction, and the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said grant, on condition that he shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis, at Quebec, and on payment of the ordinary rights and dues according to the Custom of Paris; that he shall preserve and cause his tenants to preserve the timber fit for the building of His Majesty's vessels; that he shall disclose to His Majesty and to the Governor of the said Country, the mines, mining places and minerals, if there be any within the said extent; that he shall keep and cause his tenants to keep house and home thereon, and reside there and cause it to be cleared as soon as the present war shall be terminated, and furnish the necessary roads and passages, as more fully detailed in the title of the said grant of the first of March, one thousand six hundred

and ninety-five, without its being requisite, by reason thereof, for the said Sieur Hertel de la Frenière, his successors and assigns, to pay to His Majesty or to the Kings, his successors, any sum or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same, to whatever sum they may amount, by the present Letters Patent, which he hath been pleased to sign, and to have countersigned by his Councillor, Secretary of State, and of his Commands.

(Signed,) "LOUIS."
And lower down, " "PHELIPPEAUX."

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*Ratification of the grant of the Fief Cournoyer, to the north of the Richelieu River, in favor of the Sieur Jacques Hertel de Cournoyer.*

Dated the 19th May, 1696.

Extract from the register, Ins. Sup. Coun. Letter B. folio 135.

This nineteenth day of the month of May, one thousand six hundred and ninety-six, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grants of lands made in his name in Canada, during the year one thousand six hundred and ninety-five, by the Count de Frontenac and the Sieur de Champigny, the Governor and the Intendant of the said Country, by virtue of the power delegated to them by His Majesty, hath confirmed and ratified and doth confirm and ratify the grant made by them to the Sieur Jacques Hertel, Esquire, Sieur de Cournoyer, ensign of a company of the Marine Force of the said country, of two leagues of land in front, by a like depth, commencing on the north side of the Richelieu River, adjoining the seigniory of the Sieur Joseph Hertel, descending the said river; to hold to the said Sieur Jacques Hertel, his heirs and assigns, forever, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean, and inferior, jurisdiction, and the right of hunting fishing, and trading with the Indians, throughout the extent of the said grant, on condition that he shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis, at Quebec, and on payment of the ordinary rights and dues, according to the Custom of Paris; that he shall preserve and cause his tenants to preserve the timber fit for the construction of His Majesty's vessels; that he shall disclose to him and to the Governor of the said country, the mines, mining places and minerals, if any there be throughout the said extent; that they shall keep and cause their tenants to keep house and home thereon, and reside there, and have it cleared as soon as the present war shall be terminated, and furnish the necessary roads and passages, as more fully detailed in the title of the said grant of the first March, one thousand six hundred and ninety-five, wtihout its being requisite, by reason thereof, for the said Sieur Hertel, his heirs aud assigns, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings, his succesors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to whatever sum they may amount, by the present Letters Patent, which he hath been pleased to sign, and to have countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed.) LOUIS,
And lower down, PHELIPPEAUX.

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*Ratification of a grant on each side of the River Descoudet, in Acadia, in favor of the Sieur Michel Chartier.*

Dated the 19th May, 1696.

Extract from the Register Ins. Sup. Coun. Letter B, folio 131.

This nieteenth day of the month of May, one thousand six hundred and ninety-six, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grants of lands made in his name in Canada and in Acadia, during the year one thousand six hundred and ninety-five, by the Count de Frontenac and the Sieur de Champigny, the Governor and the Intendaut of the said country, by virtue of the power delegated to them by His Majesty hath confirmed and ratified, and doth confirm and ratify, the grant made by them to the Sieur Michel Chartier, an inhabitant residing in Acadia, of half a league of land in front on each side of the River Descoudet, in the said country, by half a league in depth, with the adjacent islands, commencing on the southwest side, at the land of the Sieur de Sainct Aubin, descending the said river, and on the north east side, at the unconceded lands opposite to the concession of the Sieur Dubourchemin; to *hold to the said* Sieur Michel Chartier, his heirs and assigns, for ever, as their own property, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, and the right of hunting, fishing, and trading with Indians, throughout the extent of the said grant, on

condition that he shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis, at Quebec, and on payment of the ordinary rights and dues, according to the Custom of Paris; that he shall preserve, and cause his tenants to preserve, the timber fit for the construction of His Majesty's vessels; that he shall disclose to him, or to the Governor of Canada, and to the Commandant of Acadia, the mines, mining places and minerals, if any there be throughout the said extent; that he shall keep and cause his tenants to keep house and home thereon, and reside there, and have it cleared as soon as the present war shall be terminated, and furnish the necessary roads and passages, as more fully detailed in the title of the said grant of the eighteenth of July, one thousand six hundred and ninety-five, without its being requisite, by reason thereof, for the said Sieur Chartier, his heirs and assigns, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to whatever sum they may amount, by the present letters patent, which he hath been pleased to sign, and to have countersigned by me. his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

And lower down, (Signed,) LOUIS,
PHELIPEAUX.

*Ratification of the grant of the fief Bourchemin, in favor of the Sieur Jacques François du Bourchemin de l'Hermittière.*

Dated the 19th May, 1696.

Extract from the Register Book of Intendance. No 10 to 17, folio 555

This nineteenth day of the month of May, one thousand six hundred and ninety-six, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grants of lands made in his name, in Canada, during the year one thousand six hundred and ninety-five, by the Count de Frontenac and the Sieur de Champigny, the Governor and the Intendant of the said country, by virtue of the power delegated to them by His Majesty, hath confirmed and ratified, and doth confirm and ratify, the grant made by them to the Sieur Jacques François du Bourchemin, Esquire, Sieur de l'Hermittière, Lieutenant of a Company of the Marine Force in the said country, of one league and a half of land in front, on each side of the River of Ouamaska, which is included, commencing half a league below the stream called Salvaye, and running one league above into the unconceded lands, by a like depth, running north west and south west, together with the adjacent islands and meadows, to hold to the said Sieur du Bourchemin de l'Hermittière, his heirs and assigns, for ever, as their own property, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, and the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said grant, on condition that he shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis, at Quebec, and on payment of the ordinary rights and dues, according to the Custom of Paris; that he shall preserve and cause his tenants to preserve, the timber fit for the construction of his Majesty's vessels; that he shall disclose to him and to the Governor of the said country, the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be throughout the said extent; that he shall keep, and cause his tenants to keep, house and home thereon, and reside there, and have it cleared as son as the present war shall be terminated, and furnish the necessary roads and passages as more fully detailed in the title of the said grant of the twentieth of June, one thousand six hundred and ninety-five, without its being requisite, by reason thereof, for the said Sieur de Bourchemin de l'Hermittière, his heirs and assigns, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to them, to whatever sum they may amount, by the present Letters Patent, which he hath been pleased to sign, and to have countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

And lower down, (Signed,) LOUIS,
PHELIPPEAUX.

*Ratification of the Grant of the Fief Grand Pré, upon Lake St. Peter, betwen the fiefs of the River du Loup and Grosbois, in favor of the Sieur Pierre Boucher d Grand Pré.*

Dated the 19th May, 1696.

Extract from the Register Book of Intendance, No. 1 to 9, folio 42.

This nineteenth day of the month of May, one thousand six hundred and ninety-six, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grants of lands made in his name, in Canada, during the year one thousand

six hundred and ninety-five, by the Count de Frontenac and the Sieur de Champigny, the Governor and Intendant of the said country, by virtue of the power delegated to them by His Majasty, hath confirmed and ratified, and doth confirmed and ratify the grant made by them to the Sieur Pierre Boucher, Sieur de Grand Pré, Major of the Town of Three Rivers, of one league of land in front, by three in depth, on Lake St. Peter, adjoining on one side the unconceded lands of the River Hiamachiche, and on the other side those of the River du Loup, with the adjacent isles, islands and shaols, to hold to the said Sieur Boucher, his heirs and assigns, for ever, as their own property, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, and the right of fishing, hunting and trading with Indians throughout the extent of the said grant, on condition that he shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis, at Quebec, and on payment of the ordinary rights and dues, according to the Custom of Paris; that he shall preserve, and cause his tenants to preserve, the timber fit for the building of His Majesty's vessels; that he shall disclose to him and to the Governor of the said country, the mines, mining places, and minerals, if any there be throughout the said extent; that he shall keep, and cause his tenants to keep, house and home thereon; that he shall reside there, and have it cleared as soon as the present war shall be terminated, and furnish the necessary roads and passages as more fully detailed in the title of the said grant of the *third of January, one thousand six hundred and ninety-five,** without its being requisite, by reason thereof, for the said Sieur Boucher, his heirs and assigns, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to whatever sum they may amount, by the present Letters Patent, which he hath been pleased to sign, and to have countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS,
PHELIPPEAUX.

And lower down,

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*Ratification of the Grants of the small islands and Shaols in front of the Seigniory of la Chevrotière, in favor of the Sr. Francs. Chavigny de la Chevrotière.*

Dated the 28th May, 1699.

Extract from the Register Book of Intendance, No. 1 to 9, folio 16.

This twenty-eighth day of the month of May, one thousand six hundred and ninety-nine, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grant made in his name, on the eleventh of January, one thousand six hundred and ninety-eight, by the late Count de Frontenac, in his lifetime, Governor and Lieutenant General of His Majesty in New France, and by the Sieur de Champigny, Intendant of Justice, Police and Finance in the said country, to the Sieur François de Chavigny de la Chevrotière, of the small islands and shaols situate in front of his land of la Chevrotière, and along the same as far as the *Chenail des Barques*, to hold to him, his heirs and assigns, as their own property, for ever, subject to the same dues and charges as those contained in the title of his land of la Chevrotière, without its being requisite, by reason thereof, for the said Sieur de Chavigny de la Chevrotière, his heirs or assigns, to pay to us, or to the Kings our successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same, to whatever sum they may amount, by the present Letters Patent, which he hath been pleased to sign, and to have countersigned by me, his Councillor, Sectetary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS,
PHELIPPEAUX.

And lower down,

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*Ratification of the Grant of the small Islands, Shaols and Beaches in front of the Seigniory of Boucherville, in favor of the Sieur Boucher, the elder.*

Dated the 28th May, 1699.

Extract from the Register Ins. Sup. Coun. letter II, folio 52.

This 28th day of the month of May, 1699, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grant made in his name, on the 17th August, 1698, by the late Count de Frontenac, in his lifetime, Governor and Lieutenant General for His Majesty in New France, and by the Sieur de Cham-

*30th July, 1695, See Regr. of Int. No. 4, folio 18. (Sic.)

pigny, Intendant of Justice, Police and Finance in the said country, to the Sieur Boucher, the elder, of the small islands, shoals and beaches situate in front of his land of Boucherville, as far as the middle of the River St. Lawrence, either to the south or to the north of the islands already conceded to him, with the right of fishing along the front of his said land, as far as the middle of the River St. Lawrence, to hold to him, his heirs and assigns, as their own property, for ever, subject to the same dues and charges as those contained in the concession title of his land of Boucherville, as the same is stated in the title which was granted him thereof, without its being requisite, by reason thereof, for the said Sieur Boucher, the elder, his heirs and assigns, to pay to us, or to the Kings our successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to them to whatever sum they may amount, by the present letters patent, which he hath been pleased to sign, and to have countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS,

And lower down, PHELYPEAUX.

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*Ratification of the Grant of the Fief Hubert, in rear of the Fiefs St. Gabriel and St. Ignace, in favor of the Sieur René Louis Hubert, the younger.*

Dated the 28th May, 1699.

Extract from the Register, Book of Intendance, No. 1 to 9. folio 365.

This twenty-eighth day of the month of May, one thousand six hundred and ninety-nine, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grants made in his name, on the tenth of June, of the year one thousand six hundred and ninety-eight, by the late Count de Frontenac, in his lifetime, Governor and Lieutenant General for His Majesty in New France, and by the Sieur de Champigny, Intendant of Justice, Police and Finance, in the said country, to the Sieur René Louis Hubert, the younger, of two leagues of land in front by a like depth, situate at the back of the lands called St. Gabriel and St. Ignace, belonging to the Jesuit Fathers and to the *Hospitalières* Nuns of Quebec, the said land adjoining to the north east, and bounded at one end by the said lands, and at the other end and both sides, by unconceded lands, to hold to him, his heirs and assigns, as their own property, for ever, as a fief only, with the right of fishing, hunting and trading with the Indians throughout the whole extent of the said grant, on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis, at Quebec, of which the same shall be held, and on payment of the ordinary rights and dues, according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; that he shall preserve, and cause to be preserved, the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's vessels; that he shall disclose to the King, or to the Governor of the said country, the mines, mining places and minerals, if any there be throughout the said extent; that he shall keep, and cause his tenants to keep, house and home thereon, (*y tenir feu et lieu*), and commence to reside there, and finally that he shall leave the necessary roads and passages as more fully detailed in the title of the grant, without its being requisite, by reason thereof, for the said Sieur Hubert, the younger, his heirs or assigns, to pay to us, or to the Kings our successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to them, to whatever sum they may amount, by the present letters patent, which he hath been pleased to sign, and to have countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS,

And lower down, PHELIPPEAUX.

*Ratification of the Grant of the Fief Lessard, behind l'Islet St. Jean, in favor of Pierre Lessard.*

Dated the 28th May, 1699.

Extract from the Register Ins. Sup. Cons. letter B, folio 127.

This twenty-eighth day of the month of May, one thousand six-hundred and ninety-nine, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grant made in his name, on the thirtieth of June, one thousand six hundred and ninety-eight, by the late Count de Frontenac, in his lifetime, Governor and Lieutenant General for His Majesty in New France, and by the Sieur de Champigny, Intendant of Justice, Police and Finance in the said country, to Pierre Lessard, of one league of land in front, by a like depth, situate on the River St. Lawrence, near the Island of St. Jean, behind the land of Miss du Tartre, joining on one side to the land of the Sieur de la Chesnaye, and on the other, to that of François Bellanger, at one end to the land of the said Miss du Tartre, and at the other to the unconceded lands; to hold to him, his heirs and assigns, for ever, as their own property, on condition that they shall pay every year, on the customary day, to the King's domain, in New France, six pence of *cens*, bearing *lods et ventes*, *saisine et amende*, when the case may occur, according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country, and subject to the other clauses and conditions contained in the title of the said grant, without its being requisite for the said Lessard, his heirs or assigns, to pay to us, or to the Kings our successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to them, to whatever sum they may amount, by the present letters patent, which he hath been pleased to sign, and to have countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS,

And lower down, PHELIPEAUX.

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*Ratification of the Grant of the Isles Islands and Shoals in front of the first part of Grondines, in favor of the Sieur Louis Amelin.*

Dated the 28th May, 1699.

Extract from the Register Ins. Sup. Cons. letter B, folio 130.

This twenty-eighth day of the month of May, one thousand six hundred and ninety-nine, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grant made in his name, on the nineteenth of January, one thousand six hundred and ninety-eight, by the late Count de Frontenac, in his lifetime, Governor and Lieutenant General for His Majesty in New France, and by the Sieur de Champigny, Intendant of Justice, Police and Finances in the said Country, to the Sieur Louis Amelin, part proprietor of the land of Grondines, and of the islands and shoals situate in front of his part and portion of the said land of Grondines, which commences at the mill belonging to the same, and terminates at the boundary of the land of St. Anne; to hold to him, his heirs and assigns, for ever, as their own property, under the same rights and conditions as those contained in the title of the concession of the said land of Grondines, without its being requisite, by reason thereof, for the said Sieur Amelin, his heirs or assigns, to pay to us, or to the Kings our successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same, to whatever sum they may amount, by the present letters patent, which he hath been pleased to sign, and to have countersigned by me, his virtue of Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS,

*And lower down,* PHELIPEAUX.

*Grant of the Land and Seigniory of Sillery, to the Reverend Jesuit Fathers and ratification of the said grant at the bottom of the same.*

Dated the 23rd October, 1699.

Extract from the Register Ins. Sup. Cons. letter B, folio 137 and following.

Hector de Callière, Knight of the order of St. Louis, Governor and Lieutenant General for the King over the whole of Northern France, Jean Bochart, Knight, Seignior of Champigny, Norroy, and other places, Councillor of the King, in his Councils, Intendant of Justice, Police and Finance in the said country;

Seeing the petition presented to us by the Reverend Father Martin Bouvart, Superior of the Company of Jesus in this country, and by Father François Vaillant, his Attorney, to the effect that we would be pleased to make over to them, as their own property, (*en propre*), the fief, land and seigniory of Sillery, which they have enjoyed up to this time, merely as managers of the property of the the Christian Indians, to whom the said fief had been granted by His Majesty in the month of July, one thousand six hundred and fifty-one, and which the said Indians have been obliged to abandon, for the last ten or twelveyears, and establish themselves elsewhere, both because the lands under cultivation were entirely worn out, and because the firewood, which had been cut for the last forty years, was at too great a distance from their village; that we would also make over to them, as their own property (*en propre*), and as a fief, four perches of land in front by eight in depth, conceded by the late Monsieur de Montmagny, and twenty fathoms square, as an augmentation, conceded by the late Monsieur d'Ailleboust, both Governors General of the country, to the late Pachiriny, an Indian Captain at Three Rivers, of which the said Jesuit Fathers have given, for more than forty years, in their capacity of tutors and administrators to the property of the said Pachiriny, deeds of concession to several French persons, for the purpose of occupying it and building thereon, which they have done on payment of a small due; that the said Pachiriny is dead, and the said Jesuit Fathers have remained in the enjoyment of the said lots of ground, of which they pray we us to pleased to grant them the concession, and being fully informed of the good intentions of the said Fathers of the Company of Jesus, of the great and spiritual and temporal succour they render to the Indians of this country, and the great care they have taken, and the excessive sums they have expended to support the missions of the said Indians, and to work permanently for their salvation, and particularly for those who were established at the said place of Sillery, and for whom, since their departure from thence, they have bought, at their own expense, lands in different places in this country, in order to establish them thereon, and without which they would have dispersed. For these reasons, we have given, conceded and granted, as their own property, (*en propre*), to the said Jesuit Fathers, the said fief, land and seigniory of Syllery, of one league in breadth on the River St. Lawrence, by a league and a half, or thereabouts, in depth, as far as the Seigniory of Saint Gabriel, by which it is bounded at the rear, commencing on the north east side at the Point de Puisseaux and on the south west side at a line which divides it from the fief of Gaudartville, one of which said lines was drawn about twenty-five years ago, and the other about forty years ago, with all the rights and privileges formerly conceded to the said Indians, the whole to be held as a real fief, and to depend upon the King alone, with the right of superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, as they hold all the other lands which His Majesty hath been pleased to grant them in this country; and we likewise give, grant and concede to them also, as a fief, and subject to the same rights and privileges as those above specified, the said four perches of land in front by eight in depth, conceded by the late Monsieur de Montmagny, together with the twenty fathoms square in augmentation, conceded

by the late Monsieur Daillebout, both Governors General of this country, to the said late Pachiriny, Indian Captain; the whole to be enjoyed by them as their own property for ever, according to the Custom of Paris, on condition that the appeals from the jurisdiction of Syllery aforesaid, shall lie before the Lieutenant General of the Prevosté of Quebec, and that the said Jesuit Fathers shall be bound to obtain from His Majesty the ratification of these presents within a year. In witness whereof, we have signed these presents, and caused our seal and arms to be affixed hereto, and had them countersigned by our Secretaries. Given at Quebec, this twenty-third day of October, one thousand six hundred and ninety-nine.

(Signed,) Le Chevalier de CALLIERES, and
CHAMPIGNY.

Sealed with the seal of their arms, and countersigned

By His Lordship, HAUTTEVILLE, and
By His Lordship, ANDRE.

And then there is written:

Extract from the King's letter to the Sieurs Chevallier de Callières de Beauharnois, Governor General and Intendant of New France:

"His Majesty hath also granted the ratification of the land of Syllery, prayed for by the Jesuit Fathers, although it is against the rule which he had laid down, not to give any more lands in Canada to religious communities."

Compared with the original by us, the Intendant of the said country, on the twenty-fifth of November, one thousand seven hundred and two.

(Signed,) BEAUHARNOIS,
And lower down, by His Lordship TREHARD.

This day, the title of concession and the extract from the King's letter, of which the copies are above written, have been enregistered in the office of the Sovereign Council, according to his decree of this day, by me the undersigned clerk in the said office, at Quebec, this second of July, one thousand seven hundred and three.

HUBERT.

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*Ratification of the grant of the Fief of la Noraye, in favor of the Sieurs Lessard, Lanoraie and others.*

Dated the 23rd April, 1700.

Extract from the register, Ins. Sup. Coun. Lettre B. folio 134.

This twenty-third day of the month of April, one thousand seven hundred, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grant made in his name, on the twenty seventh of April, one thousand six hundred and eighty-eight by the Marquis de Denonville, heretofore Governor and Lieutenant General of New France, and the Sieur de Champigny, Intendant of the said country, to the persons named Lessard, de la Noraye, Charles Gauthier, Marie Denise Sevestre and Catherine Gauthier, of two leagues of land in front, on the River St. Lawrence, by two leagues in depth, to be taken between the lands of the Sieur Dautray and the Sieur de la Valtrie, extending towards Montreal, His Majesty hath granted them the said concession anew, to hold to them, their heirs and assigns forever, as a fief and Seig-

niory, with superior mean and inferior jurisdiction, and the right of hunting and fishing in front of and in the interior of the said places, and of trading with the Indians, on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, and subject to the ordinary rights accordiug to the custom of Paris, and that the appeals from the judge of the said fief shall lie before the Royal Jurisdiction of Montreal; that the oak fit for the building of ships shall be preserved, and that they shall disclose to the King the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be, in accordance with the title of the said grant, without its becoming requisite, by reason thereof, for their heirs or assigns to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to them to whatever sum they may amount, by the present Letters Patent, which he hath been pleased to sign and to have countersigned by me, his Councillor Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Thus signed,) LOUIS,

And lower down, " PHELIPPEAUX.

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*Ratification of the grant of two thirds of the Island of St. Paul, in favor of the Sieur Lebert.*

Dated the 23rd April, 1700.

Extract from the register, Ins. Sup. Coun. Letter B. folio 130.

This twenty-third day of the month of April, one thousand seven hundred, the King being at Versailles, and His Majesty approving of the grant made on the eighteenth of July, one thousand six hundred and seventy-six to the Sieur Lebert, by the Sieur Duchesneau, at that time Intendant of New France, of the two-thirds of the Island called St. Paul, and of the adjacent islands and shoals, and wishing to deal favourably with the said Lebert; His Majesty hath united the said grant into one fief, to hold to him, his heirs and assigns forever, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, on condition that he shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, and on payment of the ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris, and that the appeals from the judge of the said fief, shall lie before the Royal Judge of Montreal, without its being requisite, by reason thereof, for the said Sieur Lebert, his heirs and assigns, to pay to His Majesty or to the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to him, to whatever sum they may amount, by the present Letters Patent which he hath been pleased to sign, and to have countersigned by me, his Conncillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS,

And lower down, " PHELIPPEAUX.

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*Ratification of the grant of the Fief Longueil in favor of the Sieur Charles Lemoine de Longueuil.*

Dated the 23rd April, 1700.

Extract from the Register, Ins. Sup. Coun. Letter B. folio 130.

This twenty-third day of the month of April, one thousand seven hundred, the King being at Versailles, and His Majesty approving the grant made in his name, on the tenth of July, one thousand six hundred and seventy-six by Sieur Duchesneau, at that time Intendant of New

France, to the Sieur Charles Lemoine de Longueuil, of the extent of fifty arpents of land in front, by one hundred in depth, the Island of St. Helens, Heron Island, the extent of land commencing at that owned by the Sieur de Varennes, as far as the lower end of the said fifty arpents in front, and extending from the lower end of the same as far as the Seigniory of la Prairie, St. Lambert, dependency of la Prairie de la Magdeleine, the said extents of land above and below the said fifty arpents by the depth of a league and a half, with the adjacent isles, islands and shoals; His Majesty hath united the said grant into one fief, called Longueuil, to hold to him, his successors, and assigns forever, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, and pay the ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris, and that the appeals from the judge of Longueuil aforesaid, shall lie before the Royal Judge of Montreal, without its being requisite, by reason thereof, for the said Sieur de Longueuil, his heirs and assigns, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to them, to whatever sum they may amount, by the present Letters Patent, which he hath been pleased to sign, and to have countersiged by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS,
And lower down, " PHELIPEAUX.

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*Ratification of the grant of an augmentaion of the Seigniory of Champlain in favor of Madame de la Touche.*

Dated the 28th May, 1700.

Extract from the register, Book of Intendance No. 1 to 9, folio 264.

This twenty-eighth day of the month of May, one thousand seven hundred, the King being at Verselles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grant made on the twenty-eighth of April, one thousand six hundred and ninety-seven by the late Count de Frontenac, Governor and Lieutenant General of New France, and the Sieur de Champigny, at that time Intendant of Justice, Police and Finance throughout the whole of New France, to Dame de la Touche, of three leagues of land in depth, adjoining the rear of the Seigniory of Champlain, by the whole breadth of the same, joining, on one side, the Seigniory of Batiscan, and on the other, the fief of the Sieur Hertel, His Majesty hath confirmed and ratified the said grant, to hold to the said Dame de la Touche, her heirs and assigns forever, as their own property, subject to the same rights and charges as are contained in the grant of the said land of Champlain, without its being requisite, by reason thereof, for the said Dame de la Touche, her said heirs and assigns, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to whatever sum they may amount, by the present Letters Patent, which he hath been pleased to sign, and to have countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) "LOUIS,"
" "PHELIPEAUX."

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*Ratification of the grant of an augmentation of the Seigniory of Ste. Anne de la Perade, in favor of the Sieur Thomas Tarieu de la Perade.*

Dated the 22nd May, 1701.

Extract from the register. Book of Intendance No. 1 to 9, folio 48.

This twenty-second day of the month of May, one thousand seven hundred and one, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grants made in his name in New France during this last year one thousand seven hundred, by the Sieur de Callières, Governor and his Lieutenant General, and by the Sr. de Champigny, Intendant of Justice, Police and Finance in the said country, pursuant to the power vested in them by His Majesty, hath confirmed and ratified and doth confirm and ratify the grant made by them to the Sieur Thomas Tarieu de la Perade, Lieutenant unattached, of the extent of Land and Seigniory of Ste. Anne, which contains about two leagues in front between the prolonged lines of the Seigniories of St. Charles des Roches and of Batiscan, by one league and a half in depth, together with the river which may cross the said extent of land and the islands which may be therein; to hold to the said Sieur de la Perade, his heirs or assigns forever, as their own property, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, and the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians, and subject to the charges contained in the said grant of the thirteenth of October of last year, one thousand seven hundred, without the said Sieur de la Perade or his heirs and assigns being bound, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, which he hath remitted and given to them, to whatever sum they may amount, by the present Letters Patent, which he hath been pleased to sign, and to have countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) " LOUIS."

And lower down, " " PHELIPPEAUX."

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*Ratification of the grant of the Islands at the mouth of the River and Seigniory of Ste. Anne, in favor of Dame Marguerite Denis, widow of the Sieur de la Naudière.*

Dated the 22nd May, 1701.

Extract from the register, Book of Intendance No. 1 to 9, folio 47.

This twenty second day of the month of May, one thousand seven hundred and one, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grants made, in his name, in New France, during the last year, one thousand seven hundred, by the Sieur de Callière, the Governor and his Lieutenant General, and by the Sieur de Champigny, Intendant of Justice, Police and Finance in the said country, pursuant to the power granted them by His Majesty, hath confirmed and ratified the grant made by them to the said Dame Marguerite Denis, widow of the Sieur de la Naudière, of the Islands along the River St. Lawrence, opposite the entrance of the River, land and Seigniory of Ste. Anne; to hold to the said Dame Marguerite Denis, widow of the Sieur de la Naudière, her heirs or assigns forever as their own property (*comme de leur propre*) as a fief and Seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, and the right of fishing, hunting and trading with the Indians, upon the conditions stated in the said grant of the thirtieth of October, of this last year, one thousand seven hundred, without its being requisite, by reason thereof, for the said Dame Marguerite

Denis, widow of the Sieur de la Naudière, or her heirs or assigns, to pay to His Majesty or to the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, of which, to whatever sum they may amount, he hath discharged them, in so far as the same is or may be requisite, by the present Letters Patent, which he hath been pleased to sign and to have countersigned by me his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) " LOUIS,"

And lower down, " " PHELIPPEAUX."

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*Ratification of the grant of the Fief St. François in favor of the heirs Crevier.*

Dated the 23 May 1701.

Extract from register, Book of Intendance No. 1 to 9. folio 150.

This twenty third day of the month of May one thousand seven hundred and one, the King being at Versailles and His Majesty being informed that the late Count de Frontenac, the Governor, and the late Sieur Duchesneau, the Intendant, did make grants, on the eighth, tenth and eighteenth of October one thousand six hundred and seventy eight, to the late Sieur Crevier, by virtue of the power vested in them by His Majesty, of one league in depth ascending the river St. François, together with the Isles and Islands within the said depth, by one league in breadth on the south side of the said river, commencing at the extremity of his land and Seigniory of St. François, and extending to the boundaries of the Sieur de la Valière, to which grant the said Sieur Duchesneau, hath, by virtue of the said power, united the river St. François, commencing at the channel " *Tardif*" and extending to the end of the river Iamasca, otherwise called " *des savannes*," together with the Islands opposite the channel and the Island called " *Isle Percée*," the whole to be enjoyed by the said late Sieur Crevier, his heirs or assigns forever, as a Fief and Seigniory, with superior mean and inferior jurisdiction, with the right of hunting and fishing; on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, and subject to the other clauses and conditions contained in the said grant of the said eighth, tenth and eighteenth of October one thousand six hundred and seventy eight; and inasmuch as the widow and heirs or assigns of the said late Sieur Crevier might be disturbed in the enjoyment of the said grants on account of their not having been confirmed and ratified by His Majesty within the time they should have been so ratified, His Majesty, in consideration of the services rendered to the country by the said late Sieur Crevier, hath confirmed and ratified the said grants, being desirous that the said widow, or heirs or assigns of the said late Sieur Crevier should enjoy the same forever as their own property (*comme de leur propre*) as above stated, and as more fully detailed in the said grants, without being bound, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty or to the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to them to whatever sum they may amount, in so far as the same is or may be necessary, by the present Letters Patent, which His Majesty hath signed and had countersigned by me his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) "LOUIS"

And lower down, " "PHELIPPEAUX."

*Ratification of the grant of the Isle Jesus and other adjacent Islands in favor of the Superior and Directors of foreign missions.*

Dated the 2 May 1702.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun. Letter B. folio 156.

This second day of the month of May one thousand seven hundred and two, the King being at Marly and His Majesty having been informed that the Sieur de Callière, his Governor and Lieutenant General, and the Sieur de Champigny, Intendant of Justice, Police and Finance in New France, had, pursuant to the power delegated to them by him, renewed on the twenty seventh of October one thousand six hundred and ninety nine, the grant made by the late Sieur Talon, at that time Intendant of the said country, to the Sieur François de Laval, at that time Bishop of Quebec, and to the Superior and Directors of Foreign Missions, donees of the said Bishop, of the Isle Jesus, together with the "*Isles aux Vaches*," and others adjacent thereto; and His Majesty wishing to ratify and confirm the said grant, hath granted and given to the said Superior and Directors, the said *Isle Jesus*, the *Isles aux Vaches* and others adjacent, to hold to them, their successors and assigns forever, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, under the clauses and conditions stated in the said grant, His Majesty having discharged them from the obligation to which they were bound, of returning, within one year, the Letters Patent of confirmation of the said grant, without its being necessary, by reason thereof, for the said Superior and Directors of Foreign Missions, to pay to His Majesty any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to them, to whatever sum they may amount, by the present Letters Patent, with the exception of the mortmain dues, which the said Superior and Directors of Foreign Missions, shall be bound to pay to His Majesty: and in testimony of his will, His Majesty hath commanded me to issue the present Letters Patent which he hath been pleased to sign and to have countersigned by me his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, " PHELYPEAUX.

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*Ratification of a grant of 40 arpents, in superficies, at the Coteau Ste. Geneviève in favor of the Ursuline Nuns of Quebec.*

Dated the 1st June 1703.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun. Letter B. folio 155.

This first day of the month of June one thousand seven hundred and three, The King being at Meudon and wishing to confirm and ratify the grant made on the twenty sixth of December one thousand six hundred and ninety six, in his name, to the Ursuline Nuns established at Quebec in New France, by the Count de Frontenac, Governor and his Lieutenant General, and the Sieur de Champigny, at that time Intendant of Justice, Police and Finance in the said country, of forty arpents of land or thereabouts in superficies, at the end of eighty arpents already granted to them at the place called Coteau Ste. Geneviève, near Saint Agnan, joining on the north east side to the lands of the Hotel Dieu of Quebec aforesaid, and on the south west side, to those of the Sieur Pinguet, at one end to the lands of the said Ursuline Nuns, and at the other to those of the said Sieur Pinguet, His Majesty hath confirmed and ratified and doth confirm and ratify the said grant of the said forty arpents of land or thereabouts in superficies, to hold to the said Nuns or to those who may succeed them forever, as their own

property (*comme de leur propre*) under the conditions stated in the said grant although the confirmation thereof was not made within the term of one year to be computed from the said twenty sixth day of December one thousand six hundred and ninety six, and without its being requisite, by reason thereof, for the said Ursuline Nuns or those who may succeed them, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to them, to whatever sum they may amount, by the present Letters Patent which he hath been pleased to sign and to have countersigned by me his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS,

And lower down, " PHELIPPEAUX.

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*Ratification of the grant of a fief of three quarters of a league in front on Lake St. Peter between the lands of the Srs. Joseph Petit Bruno and Michel Trotier de Beaubien, in favor of the Ursuline Ladies of Three Rivers.*

Dated the 18 June 1703.

Extract from the Register. Book of Intendance No. 10 to 17, folio 630.

This eighteenth day of the month of June one thousand seven hundred and three, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grant was made on the thirteenth of October one thousand seven hundred and one, at Three Rivers in New France, by the Sieur de Callières, his Governor and Lieutenant General, and the Sieur de Champigny, Intendant of Justice, Police and Finance in the said Country, of an extent of unconceded land situate on the North side of Lake St. Peter in the River St. Lawrence, as a Fief and Seigniory, with superior mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting and fishing, the said extent of land consisting of about three quarters of a league in front, between the Sieur Joseph Petit dit Bruno and the said Michel Trotier dit Beaubien, by two leagues in depth. His Majesty hath granted and given them the said extent of land as above specified; To hold to the said Ursuline Nuns and those who shall succeed them, forever, as their own property (*comme de leur propre*) as a Fief and Seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, and the right of hunting and fishing throughout the entire extent of the said grant, on condition that they shall cause homage to be rendered by their Attorney in their name at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said Fief shall be held, and subject to the other clauses contained in the said grant, without the said Ursuline Nuns being bound, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty or to the Kings, his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to them, to whatever sum they may amount, by the present Letters Patent which he hath been pleased to sign and to have countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down " PHELYPEAUX.

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*Ratification of the grant of the Fief St. Charles, in the River Yamaska, in favor of the Sieur Fezeret.*

Dated 1st June 1704.

Extract from the Register. Book of Intendance No. 1 to 9, folio 229.

This first day of the month of June one thousand seven hundred and four, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grant made on the fourteenth of August one thousand seven hundred and one, to the Sieur Fezeret, an inhabitant of Quebec, by the late Sieur de Callière, Governor and Lieutenant General and by the Sieur de Champigny, at that time Intendant of New France, in virtue of the power vested in them by His Majesty, of one league and a half in front by a like depth on the river Ouamaska, which is included, commencing on the south side of the late river, running south east, joining, at one end, the grant of the late Sieur de Bourchemin, and at the other, the unconceded lands with the Isles and Islands, and adjacent prairies and shoals; His Majesty hath confirmed and ratified the said grant in favor of the said Sieur Fezeret, to hold to him, his heirs and assigns forever, as their own property, as a Fief and Seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, with the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the whole extent of the said grant, on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, and on payment of the ordinary rights and dues according to the custom of Paris, and subject to the clauses and conditions contained in the said grant, without its being necessary, by reason thereof, for the said Sieur Fezeret or his successors or assigns, to pay to His Majesty any sum of money or indemnity, which His Majesty hath been pleased to remit to them by the present Letters Patent which he hath been pleased to sign and to have countersigned by me his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) "LOUIS"

And lower down, " "PHELIPPEAUX."

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*Ratification of a grant near the Portachoix, of 30 leagues in front by 10 leagues in depth, in favor of the Sieur Hazeur.*

Dated the 17 June 1707.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun. Letter C. folio 25.

This seventeenth day of the month of June one thousand seven hundred and seven, the King being at Versailles and wishing to confirm and ratify the grant made in his name, on the twentieth of April one thousand seven hundred and five, to the Sieur Hazeur, Councillor of the Superior Council of Quebec, by the Marquis de Vaudreuil, Governor and Lieutenant General, and the Sr. Beauharnois, at that time Intendant of Justice, Police and Finance in New France, His Majesty hath confirmed and doth confirm the said grant, consisting of twenty leagues of land, commencing at the land called the "*Portachoix*" running on one side towards *Bel'Ile*, to the east north east as far as the river called "Salmon River," with the islands and shoals therein, which is about ten leagues from the said *Portachoix*, by ten leagues in depth, and on the other side running twenty leagues south southwest as far as the river called "*Ours Blanc*" with the islands which may be therein, and ten leagues in depth, to hold to the said Sieur Hazeur, his heirs and assigns forever, as their own property, as a Fief and Seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction and the right of fishing and hunting and with the other advantages, and subject to the other clauses and conditions stated in the title of the said grant, without their being bound, by reason thereof, to pay

to His Majesty or to the Kings, his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to them by the present Letters Patent, which he hath been pleased to sign and to have countersigned by me his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) "LOUIS,"
And lower down, " "PHELIPEAUX."

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*Ratification of the grant of the Fief and Seigniory of Cloridan at the Baie des Chaleurs, in favor of the Sieur Charles Morin.*

Dated the 20th May 1708.

Extract from the Register Ins. Supr. Coun. Letter D, folio 54.

This twentieth day of May one thousand seven hundred and eight, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grant made in his name on the second of May one thousand seven hundred and seven, to the Sieur Charles Morin, by the Marquis de Vaudreuil, Governor and Lieutenant General, and the Sieur Raudot, Intendant of Justice, Police and Finance in New France; His Majesty hath confirmed and ratified the grant made by them at the lower part of the Baye des Chaleurs, commencing at the mouth of the *Rivière des Loup-Marins*, which comes out at the River of Listigouche, running to the South-west, and ascending along the River of Listigouche, together with the islands, islets and shoals there may be in the said River Listigouche, within the extent of the said grant, with two leagues depth to the north west, by two leagues front to the south west, along the said River of Listigouche, to be known by the name of Cloridan; to hold to the said Sieur Charles Morin, his heirs and assigns, in full ownership and forever, as a Fief and Seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, with the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians and under the other clauses and conditions, that they shall render fealty and homage at the castle of St. Louis of Quebec, and pay the dues mentioned in the title of the said grant, without its being necessary by reason thereof, for the said Sieur Morin, his successors and assigns, to pay to His Majesty or to the Kings, his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same, to whatever sum they may amount, by the present Letters Patent, which, in assurance of his will, he hath been pleased to sign and have countersigned by me, Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) " LOUIS."
And lower down " " PHELYPEAUX."

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*Ratification of the grant of the right of hunting and fishing at the Isles Bouchard, in favor of the Sieur Desjordy.*

Dated the 17 June 1707.

Extract from the Register, Book of Intendance, No. 1 to 9, folio 188.

This seventeenth day of the month of June one thousand seven hundred and seven, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grant which the Marquis de Vaudreuil, the Governor and Lieutenant General, and the Sr. Raudot, Intendant of Justice, Police and Finance in New France, made in His Majesty's name on the twenty-seventh of July one thousand seven hundred and six, to the Sieur Desjordy, captain of a company of soldiers of the marine force in that country, of the right of fishing and hunting, which is not included in the grant made on the twenty-

ninth of October one thousand six hundred and seventy-two, by the late Sieur Talon, at that time Intendant of New France, to the Sieur Fortel, whose rights are held by the said Sieur Desjordy, His Majesty hath confirmed and ratified the said grant of the said right of fishing and hunting, to be enjoyed by the said Sieur Desjordy, his heirs and assigns forever, as their own property (*comme de leur propre*) without being bound, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty or the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to them, to whatever sum they may amount, by the present Letters Patent, which he hath been pleased to sign and to have countersigned by me his Councillor of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) " LOUIS."

And lower down " " PHELIPPEAUX."

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*Ratification of the grant of the Fief Grand Champ, between the Point Meniquet and the River St. George in Acadia, in favor of the Sieur Thomas Lefèvre and his three children.*

Dated the 20th May 1708.

Extract from the Register, Book of Intendance, No. 10 to 17, folio 661.

This twentieth day of the month of May one thousand seven hundred and eight, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grant made in his name on the fourth of May one thousand seven hundred and seven, in Acadia, to the Sieur Thomas Lefèvre, by the Marquis de Vaudreuil, Governor and Lieutenant General and the Sieur Raudot, Intendant of Justice, Police and Finance in New France, which grant had been previously made to him by the late Sieur de Callière and the Sieur de Beauharnois, Governor and Intendant in the said country, and was afterwards burned at the time of the incursion of the English; His Majesty hath confirmed and ratified and doth confirm and ratify the grant made by the said Marquis of Vaudreuil and the Sieur Raudot, of two leagues in front by three in depth, commencing at the Point Meniquet, running to the South-west as far as the River St. George, with the adjacent Islands, Islets, Banks and shoals; to hold to the said Lefèvre, during his lifetime, in full ownership, as a Fief and Seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, and the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said grant, subject to the clauses and conditions, fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, and to the payment of the dues stipulated in the title of the said grant; and at the death of the said Sieur Lefèvre, it is His Majesty's will that the said two leagues be divided equally between his three children; that Pierre Lefèvre, being the eldest, do take his share in the two leagues, commencing at Pointe Meniquet, Thomas Lefèvre next to Pierre, and Gabriel next to Thomas, to whom His Majesty hath also conceded the same, to hold to them, their heirs and assigns in full ownership and forever, as distinct and separate Fiefs and Seignories, subject to the clauses and conditions contained in the said title, without its being requisite, by reason thereof, for the said Sieur Thomas Lefèvre, or his children, after his death, to pay to His Majesty or to the Kings, his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to them, to whatever sum they may amount, by the present Letters Patent, which in assurance of his will, His Majesty hath signed and hath had countersigned by me, Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down " PHELIPPEAUX.

*Ratification of the grant of the Point of Paspebiac in favor of the Sieur Haymard.*

Dated the 20th May, 1708.

Extract from the register Book of Intendance. No. 10 to 17, folio 649.

This twentieth day of the month of May one thousand seven hundred and eight, the King being at Versailles and wishing to confirm and ratify the grant made in his name on the tenth of November one thousand seven hundred and seven, to the Sieur Haimard, by the Marquis de Vaudreuil, Governor and Lieutenant General and the Sieur Raudot, Intendant of Justice, Police and Finance in New France, His Majesty hath confirmed and ratified and doth confirm and ratify the grant made by them, of the Point of Paspebiac situate at the Baie des Chaleurs, with one league in front, on each side of the said Point, and the Islands and Islets which may be in front of the said grant, by three leagues in depth; to hold to him, his successors and assigns as their property and forever, as a Fief and Seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction and the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians, subject to the other clauses and conditions, of fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, and payment of the dues stipulated in the title of the said grant, without, by reason thereof, the said Sieur Haimard, his heirs and assigns being bound to pay to His Majesty or to the Kings, his successors any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty hath remitted the same to them to whatever sum they may amount, by the present Letters Patent, which in assurance of his will, he hath been pleased to sign and to have countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Thus signed,) LOUIS,

And lower down, " PHELYPEAUX.

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*Ratification of the grant of the Fief Grandville adjoining Kamouraska, in favor of Anne de Grandville, widow of the Sieur de Soulanges.*

Dated the 20th May 1708.

Extract from the register Book of Intendance, No. 10 to 17, folio 584.

This twentieth day of the month of May one thousand seven hundred and eight, The King being at Versailles and wishing to confirm and ratify the grant made in his name on the fifth of October one thousand seven hundred and seven, to Dame Marie Anne de Grandville, widow of the Sieur de Soulange, Captain of a Company of Soldiers of the Marine force in New France, by the Marquis de Vaudreuil, the Governor and Lieutenant General and the Sieur Raudot, Intendant of Justice, Police and Finance in the said Country; His Majesty hath confirmed and ratified and doth confirm and ratify the grant made by them, of one league or thereabouts of unconceded land on the River St. Lawrence, adjoining the Sieur de Forillon whose grant commences at two leagues above the River Kamouraska and terminates at one league below and towards the north east, and adjoins his old grant, with the Islands, Islets, banks and shoals which are opposite the same; which shall be incorporated with and joined to the old grant, so that the two shall form but one; to hold to the said widow Soulange, her heirs and assigns forever as their own property (*comme de leur propre*) as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, and the rights of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians, and under the other clauses and conditions, and of fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec and on payment of the dues stipulated in the title of the said grant, without its being necessary, by reason

thereof, for the said widow de Soulange, her heirs or assigns, to pay to His Majesty or to the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to them by the present Letters Patent, which, in assurance of his will, he hath signed and had countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS,

And lower down, " PHELIPPEAUX.

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*Ratification of several grants in favor of MM. de la Bouteillerie, l'Espinay, Charron, Ramezay Fezeret, Damours, Dumontier, Pepin Laforce, Longueuil, Louvigny and Boucher.*

Dated 6th July, 1711.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun., Letter C, folio 56.

This sixth day of the month of July, one thousand seven hundred and eleven, the King being at Marly and wishing to confirm and ratify the grants made by the Sieurs de Callières, Talon and Champigny, heretofore Governors and Intendants of New France; and by the Sieurs de Vaudreuil and Raudot, at present the Governor and the Intendant of the said country, on the 29th October, 1672, 7th April, 1701, 8th August, 1702, 25th March, 1st August, 26th September and 25th October 1708, 7th November 1709, 8th July, 6th September and 17th October 1710, in His Majesty's name, to the Sieur La Bouteillerie, L'Espinay, Charon, Ramezay, Marie Joseph Fezeret, D'Amours, Dumontier, Pepin Laforce, Longueuil, Louvigny and Boucher, of several lands in the said country, His Majesty hath confirmed and ratified and doth confirm and ratify the said grants, it being his will that the said Sieurs La Bouteillerie, L'Espinay, Charon, Ramezay, Marie Joseph Fezeret, Damours, Dumontier, Pepin Laforce, Longueuil, Louvigny and Boucher, with their heirs or assigns should enjoy the same forever as their own property, (*comme de leur propre*) without, by reason thereof, being bound to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings, his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to them whatever sum they may amount, on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which they shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues; that they shall preserve and cause to be preserved the oak timber fit for the construction of the King's vessels; that they shall disclose to His Majesty or to the Governors and Intendants of the said country the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be throughout the extent of the said grants; that they shall keep and cause their tenants to keep house and home thereon, (*y tenir feu et lieu*) in default whereof they shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that they shall immediately clear the said lands and cause them to be cleared; that they shall leave the necessary roads for the public use, and that they shall leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts therefor as they may require for their own fisheries. And in case His Majesty should hereafter require any part of the said lands for the purpose of constructing Forts, Batteries, Strongholds, Magazines and other public works thereon, His Majesty may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor; His Majesty's pleasure being that all the said grants contained in the present Letters Patent shall be subject to the conditions hereinabove set forth, without any exception whatsoever, on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grants, and that the said Letters Patent be enregistered in the Office of the Superior Council of Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when necessary. And, in testimony of his will, His Majesty hath commanded me to issue the present Letters which he hath been

pleased to sign and to have countersigned by me, Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS,

And lower down, " PHELYPEAUX.

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*Ratification of the grant in mortmain of the Island of Montreal, in favor of the Gentleman of the Seminary of St. Sulpice.*

Dated July 1714.

Extract from the books of Intendance No. 10 to 17 folio 535.

Louis, by the Grace of God, King of France and of Navarre, to all present and hereafter, Greeting. The Ecclesiastics of the Seminary of St. Sulpice, have represented to us that, upon their petition, we rendered a decree of our council on the twenty second of the month of April, one thousand seven hundred and four, by which, on giving the necessary interpretation to our Edict of the month of March, one thousand six hundred and ninety-three, creating a Royal Jurisdiction in the Island of Montreal, in New France, upon the abandonment made to us by the said Ecclesiastics of the jurisdiction which belonged to them in the said Island, we declared that it was not our intention to include the inferior jurisdiction of the Island of Montreal, which was to be reserved to them for the *cens* and *rentes* and other dues of the houses and properties situate in the *censive* of the fiefs held of the said seigniory of Montreal; which jurisdiction might be administered by the Bailiff and the officers of the superior jurisdiction of the property of the Seminary of Villemarie and of the farm of St. Gabriel, reserved to the said Ecclesiastics, and in consequence of the abandonment made by them of the superior jurisdiction held by them over the land or *côte* of St. Sulpice, and over the Courcelles Islands which are dependenies of their said seigniory, we ordered that they do remain united to the Royal Jurisdiction of the said Island of Montreal, and in order to indemnify the said Ecclesiastics and procure them advantages which should contribute to their establishment, we granted to them the seigniorial rights due on all mutations of lands and hereditaments dependent on their said seigniory, in conformity with the Edicts and declarations of the twentieth of March, one thousand six hundred and seventy three, the twentieth of February one thousand six hundred and seventy four, and the others passed in consequence thereof, the whole subject to the condition that the said Ecclesiastics of the Seminary of St. Sulpice should not be authorized to demand anything from the Communities of the Hospitable Brothers of the General Hospital of the Island of Montreal, from the Hospital Nuns of the Hôtel Dieu, nor from the females of the secular Congregation of *Notre-Dame*, established in the same Island, for the rights of indemnity or exchange of the properties and estates held by them, both in virtue of the grants of the said Ecclesiastics of the Seminary, and in virtue of other acquisitions either in *fief* or *roture*, together with all those which they might afterwards acquire; that this exception, which had been introduced into this decree upon a petition presented, without the knowledge of the petitioners, by the said three communities, not only as regards the properties *en fief et en roture*, possessed by these three communities in the Island of Montreal, which are very considerable, but also as regards all the property which they might afterwards acquire or posses, cannot be presumed to have been acceded to by us, in favor of the said three communities, without presupposing that it was a concerted thing with the said Ecclesiastics, and had been agreed to by them, since they had not objected to the said petition, which being joined with that of the petitioners, appeared as if it could not have been concealed from to them; that nevertheless the truth is that it had never been communicated or known to them before the said decree and that had they forseen it, they would not have failed to oppose it, as they do now pray us to allow them to do, if necessary, since it is certain

that the greatest favor which these communities could demand, as they have done, on several occasions, from the said Ecclesiastics, was always limited to the indemnities of the property held by them at that time, without ever thinking of demanding the remission of the indemnity, or of the other seigniorial rights, on the property which they might afterwards receive or acquire, as some of these communities have since declared, that such a remission, purely gratuitous, vague and indefinite, being without precedent, they ask us to modify it, although the remission be ordered by the said decree which only became known to them long after, and has not yet been put into force, because the copies thereof having been sent direct to New France, without passing through their hands, were lost with the vessel which carried them; that this decree, by which we intended to favor them, would be more prejudicial than advantageous to them, if it should remain in force, for it does not confirm the grant in mortmain which we have been pleased to grant them by our Letters Patent, of the month of May, one thousand six hundred and seventy seven, of the donation which had been made of the said Island of Montreal, the land now called *Côte* St. Sulpice, and of the Courcelles Islands and dependencies which they enjoy without being obliged hereafter to pay any sum of money or other rights by reason of the said exchanges and grant in mortmain, or to furnish a substitute as stated in the said Letters Patent; that they hoped we would be pleased, of our good will, to discharge them from this obligation, and give them confirmation of the grant in mortmain which we had given them gratuitously by our Letters Patent of one thousand six hundred and seventy-seven, and which they have a right to hope for in the present instance, even should it be *à titre onéreux*, both on account of the immense expenses which they and their predecessors have incurred for the establishment, increase and preservation of the said Island of Montreal, Côte St. Sulpice; Courcelles Islands and their dependencies, and as indemnification for the superior and mean jurisdiction of the Island of Montreal, and the superior jurisdiction of the Côte St. Sulpice, Courcelles Islands and their dependencies which they have made over to us and of the mean jurisdiction of the said Cote St. Sulpice, Courcelles Island and dependencies which they offer to make over to us, together with a mill, with all the surrounding land which belonged to them, situate upon the Coteau Villemarie, taken for the fortifications of the said town, and of the remission of the large indemnities due by the three communities mentioned in the said petition, should His Majesty think fit to remti them in their favor for the time past only, as they consent to do on condition of the confirmation of the said grant in mortmain; and as it is important that all these petitions and those which have already been granted to them, by our said decree of the twenty-second of April, one thousand seven hundred and four, should be regulated in the same Letters Patent, they prayed us, that we would be pleased in putting the requisite interpretation upon our edict of the month of March, one thousand six hundred and ninety-three, creating a Royal Jurisdiction in the of Montreal, to declare that we did not intend to include the inferior jurisdiction of the said Island which is to remain reserved to them, and which said inferior jurisdiction may be administered by the judge and officers of the superior jurisdiction of the property of the Seminary of Villemarie and of the farm of St. Gabriel, reserved to them by the said edict, or by such other officers as they may think fit to appoint for that purpose, to whom they prayed us to grant the power of judging all the contestations which may arise in relation to the recovery of the *cens* and *rentes*, dues, *lods et ventes*, *quints* and *reliefs*, and all other seigniorial rights which may be claimed by the said Ecclesiastics, to whatever sums they may amount; that in consequence of the abandonment made by them to us of the superior jurisdiction of the Côte St. Sulpice, of the Courcelles Islands and their dependencies, which we have accepted by a decree

of our council of the twenty second of April one thousand seven hundred and four, and which abandonment they renew in our favor, together with that of the mean jurisdiction of the said Côte St. Sulpice, of the Courcelles Islands and their dependencies, which they now offer to us, they prayed us to grant to the officers, who may administer the inferior jurisdiction which they reserve to themselves over the said Côte St. Sulpice, the Courcelles Islands and their dependencies, the power to judge also all the contestations which may arise in relation to the recovery of the *cens et rentes*, dues, *lods et ventes quint*, and *relief*, and all other seigniorial rights and dues which may be demanded by the said Ecclesiastics on account of the said Côte St. Sulpice, Courcelles Islands and dependencies, and to discharge them from the obligation of remitting the indemnities and other seigniorial rights which are or may be due by the Brothers *hospitaliers* the Nuns *hospitalières* and the Females of the secular congregation of Montreal, or that if we should wish to favor these three communities, we would be pleased to declare that the said gratuitous remittance should only be for the indemnity of the property and estates held by the said three communities, at the time the petition for that object was made in their name, and not for the indemnity and for the other seigniorial rights upon the property and estates, which they have since acquired, or which they may hereafter receive or acquire by virtue of any title whatsoever, and of which they will be bound to pay the full indemnity, together with the other customary seigniorial rights and dues; and lastly that, both in consideration of the large sums of money expended by the said Ecclesiastics and their predecessors, up to this time, for the establishment and augmentation of the Island of Montreal, the Côte St. Sulpice, Courcelles Islands and their dependencies, and as an exchange and indemnification for the jurisdictions resigned by them in those places, for their mill of Villemarie, used for the fortification, and for the large indemnities which would be due to them by the three above mentioned communities, if we should think proper to make these over to them for the past only, to give them the confirmation *à titre onéreux*, of the grant in mortmain of the said Island of Montreal, Côte St. Sulpice, Courcelles Islands and their dependencies, which mortmain we have already granted to them gratuitously by our Letters Patent of the month of May, one thousand six hundred and seventy-seven, and to grant them again the seigniorial dues accrued on all the exchanges of the property situate within the extent of the said places, the said dues to be collected forever by them for their own profit, in conformity with the edicts and declarations of the twentieth of March, one thousand six hundred and seventy-three, of the twentieth of February, one thousand six hundred and seventy-four, and others passed in consequence thereof, without, on account of the said rights of mortmain and exchange, being ever obliged to pay to us hereafter or to the Kings our successors, any sum of money and other rights, or to furnish any substitute, the whole notwithstanding all edicts, declarations, decrees and other things to the contrary thereof. For these causes and for others us moving thereto we have, by virtue of these presents bearing our signature, said and declared and we do say and declare that we did not intend to include, in our edict of the month of March, one thousand six hundred and ninety-three, the inferior jurisdiction of the Island of Montreal, which it is our will shall remain reserved, throughout the entire extent of the said Island, to the said Ecclesiastics of the Seminary of St. Sulpice, who may have that jurisdiction exercised by such officers as they may think fit, even by the Bailiff and other officers of the superior jurisdiction of the property of the Seminary of Villemarie and farm of St. Gabriel, reserved to them in the said Island of Montreal, by the said Edict, to which officers we do give and attribute the power of judging, in the first instance, all the contestations which will arise out of the recovery of the *cens* and *rentes*, dues, *lods et ventes*, *quint* and *relief* and all

other seigniorial and feudal rights and dues, to whatever sums they may amount, which may be claimed by the said Ecclesiastics, by reason of their lands, fief and seigniory of Montreal and their dependencies, on condition that all the appeals from the said jurisdiction shall lie openly before our judges of the said Island of Montreal, and we have by these present reunited and do reunite to the Royal Jurisdiction the said Island of Montreal the superior and mean jurisdiction of the said Côte St. Sulpice Courcelles Islands and their dependencies, belonging to the said Ecclesiastics, and it is our will that they do only enjoy the inferior jurisdiction of the said Côte St. Sulpice, Courcelles Islands and their dependencies with the right, on their part, to establish judges there for that jurisdiction, to whom we do give and attribute the power also of taking cognizance of all the contestations which may arise in relation to the recovery of the *cens* and *rentes*, dues, *lods et ventes*, *quint* and *relief*, and all other seigniorial and feudal rights and dues, to whatever sum they may amount, which may beclaimed by the said Ecclesiastics by reason of their land, fief and seigniory of the said Côte St. Sulpice, Courcelles Island and their dependencies, on condition that all the appeals from the said jurisdiction shall lie openly before our judges of the Island Montreal of; we have also granted and we do grant to the said Ecclesiastics of the Seminary of St. Sulpice, the seigniorial rights due upon all the exchanges of lands and estates, in their said Seigniory of the Island of Montreal, the Côte St. Sulpice, the Courcelles Islands and their dependencies, on condition, however, that it shall not be in their power to demand any thing from the communities of the Brothers *Hospitaliers* from the General Hospital of the Island of Montreal, from the Nuns *Hospitalières* of the Hotel-Dieu, and from the Females of the Secular Congregation of Notre-Dame established in the same island for the rights of indemnity or exchange of property and estate owned by them, up to this time, both by virtue of the concessions of the said Ecclesiastics of the Seminary and by virtue of other acquisitions either in fief or in *roture*, it is our will that the said Ecclesiastics do enjoy the rights due for all exchanges of the lands and estates of their said Seigniory of the Island of Montreal, the Côte St. Sulpice, the Courcelles Islands and their dependencies, in conformity with our edicts and declarations of the twentieth of March, one thousand six hundred and seventy-three, and of the twentieth of February, one thousand six hundred and seventy-four, and with others passed in consequence of the same. We have also confirmed and we do, by these presents, confirm, *à titre onéreux*, in consideration of the indemnities which may be due to the said Ecclesiastics, for what they have abandoned to us in their Seigniory of Montreal and the Côte St. Sulpice, and for other consideration heretofore mentioned, the grant in mortmain which we have given to them by our Letters Patent of the month of May, one thousand six hundred and seventy-seven, of the said Island of Montreal, of the land now called Côte St. Sulpice, and of the Courcelles Islands and dependencies which belonged to them at that time, without, their being bound by reason of the said mortmain or of the rights of exchange, henceforth to pay to us, or to the Kings our successors, any sum of money or any other rights, or to furnish a substitute; we do therefore command our beloved and faithful people, holding our Superior Council at Quebec, to cause these presents to be enregistered, published and executed according to their form and tenor, all edicts, declarations and rules to the contrary thereof notwithstanding, from which we have derogated and do derogate, and in order that it may be forever settled and established, we have had our own seal affixed to these presents, given at Marly, in the month of July, in the year of grace one thousand seven hundred and fourteen, and in the seventy-second year of our reign.

(Signed,) " LOUIS."

And lower down by the King, " " PHELLIPPEAUX."

*Visa* " " VOISIN."

And after it is written:—

The Letters Patent above transcribed were enregistered in the office of the Superior Council of Quebec, according to his decree of this day, by me the undersigned Councillor, Secretary to the King, and Chief Clerk of the said Council at Quebec, the twentieth September, one thousand seven hundred and seventeen.

(Signed,) "DE MONSEIGNAT."

And lower down it is again written:—

The Letters Patent above transcribed were enregistered in the Registers of the meetings of this Seat by me the undersigned Clerk of the Royal Jurisdiction of Montreal, this twenty-eighth day of January, one thousand seven hundred and eighteen.

(Signed,) "ADHEMARD,"
With a flourish.

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*Ratification of the grant of the Seigniory of Vaudreuil, in favor of the Marquis of Vaudreuil, Governor and Lieutenant General in Canada.*

Dated the 5th May, 1716.

Extract from the Register ins. Sup. Coun. Letter D, folio 47.

This fifth day of May, one thousand seven hundred and sixteen, the King being at Paris, and wishing to ratify and confirm the grant made in His Majesty's name by the Sieurs de Callières and de Beauharnois Governor General and Intendant in New France, on the twelfth of October, one thousand seven hundred and two, to the Marquis of Vaudreuil, heretofore Governor of Montreal, and at present Governor and Lieutenant General in New France, of a lot of land in the said country, His Majesty, by the advice of the Duke of Orleans, the Regent, hath confirmed and ratified the said grant, being desirous that the said Sieur de Vaudreuil, his heirs or assigns, should enjoy the same forever, as their own property (*comme de leur propre*) as a Fief and Seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, and the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said grant, without being obliged, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to him, to whatever sum they may amount, on condition that he shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which it shall be held, and pay the other ordinary dues, that he shall cause his tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of the King's vessels; that he shall disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governors and Intendants of the said country, the mines, mining places and minerals, if any there be throughout the extent of the said grant; that the appeals from the judge who shall be established there, shall lie before the Royal Jurisdiction of Montreal; that he shall keep and cause his tenants to keep house and home thereon (*y tenir feu et lieu*) in default whereof, it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that he shall immediately clear the said lands and cause it to be cleared; that he shall leave the necessary roads for the public use, and also, that he shall leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as he shall require for his own fisheries; and in case His Majesty should hereafter require any part of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, His Majesty may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works, and the firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation,

His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions hereinabove set forth, without any exception on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant, and that the present Letters Patent be enregistered in the office of the Superior Council of Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when requisite; and in testimony of his will, His Majesty hath commanded me to issue the said Letters Patent, which he hath been pleased to sign, and to have countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, " PHELYPEAUX.

With a flourish.

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*Ratification of the grant of the Seigniory of Soulanges in favor of the Dame de Granville, widow of the late Sieur Pierre Jacques Marie de Joibert de Soulanges.*

Dated 5th May, 1716.

Extract from the Register Ins. Sup. Coun. Letter D, folio 50.

This fifth day of May, one thousand seven hundred and sixteen, the King being at Paris, and wishing to confirm and ratify in favor of the widow of the late Sieur de Soulanges, a Captain in Canada, the grant made by the Sieurs de Callières and de Beauharnois, heretofore Governor General and Intendant of New France, on the twelfth of October, one thousand seven hundred and two, in His Majesty's name, to the said late Sieur Pierre Jacques Marie de Joibert de Soulanges, of a lot of land in the said country, His Majesty, by the advice of the Duke of Orleans the Regent, hath confirmed and ratified the said grant, being desirous that the Dame de Granville, widow of the said late Sieur de Soulanges, her heirs or assigns, should enjoy the same forever as their own property (*comme de leur propre*) as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, and the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said grant, without being obliged, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings, his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to her, to whatever sum they may amount; on condition that she shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the same shall be held, and pay the ordinary dues; that she shall preserve, and cause her tenants to preserve, the oak fit for the construction of the King's vessels; that she shall disclose to His Majesty or to the Governors and Intendants of the said country, the mines, mining places and minerals, if any there be throughout the extent of the said grant; that the appeals from the judge who shall be established there, shall lie before the Royal Jurisdiction of Montreal; that she shall keep and cause her tenants to keep house and home thereon (*y tenir feu et lieu*), in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that she shall immediately clear the said land and cause it to be cleared; that she shall leave the roads necessary for the public use, and leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as she may require for her own fishery. And in case His Majesty should hereafter require any part of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and the firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor; His Majesty's will being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions hereinabove set forth without any exception whatsoever, on pretence that such

conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant, and that the present Letters Patent be enregistered in the office of the Superior Council of Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when necessary. And in testimony of his will His Majesty hath commanded me to issue the present Letters Patent, which he hath been pleased to sign, and to have countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, " PHELYPEAUX.

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*Grant of a fief or augmentation of a fief behind the fief St. Jean, by MM. de Beauharnois and Dupuy, in favor of the Ursuline Ladies of Three Rivers.*

Dated the 18th April, 1727.

Extract from the French Register of Enregistration, Letter A, p. 514.

Charles, Marquis of Beauharnois, Knight of the Military Order of St. Louis, Governor and Lieutenant General for the King over the whole of New France.

Claude Thomas Dupuy, Councillor of the King in his Councils of State, and Privy-Master of the ordinary registers of his *hôtel*, Intendant of Justice, Police and Finance throughout the whole extent of New France, and of the islands and lands adjacent thereto and dependent thereon. Upon the requisition presented to us by the Ursuline Religious Ladies of Three Rivers, that we would be pleased to grant to them, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, and with the right of fishing and hunting, a grant of an extent of unconceded land, adjoining on the north-east side, the fief of the River du Loup which belongs to the said Religious Ladies, and on the south-west side, the fief of the Sieur Sicard, containing about three quarters of a league in front by three leagues in depth. We have, in consequence of the power delegated to us jointly by His Majesty, granted, given and conceded, and we do, by these presents, grant, give and concede to the said Religious Ladies, the said extent of land of the above mentioned depth as above described, to hold to themselves and those who may succeed them in their monastery, forever as a fief and seigniory, with the right of hunting and fishing throughout the whole extent of the said grant, and with the right of inferior jurisdiction only for the *cens et rentes* and other seigniorial dues upon the properties situate within the *censive* of the said Seigniory, which jurisdiction, the said Religious Ladies shall have administered by such judge as they may think proper to appoint to adjudicate upon and take cognizance, in the first instance, of the contestations in relation to the recovery of the *cens et rentes*, dues, *lods et ventes*, *quint et relief*, and all other seigniorial and feudal rights and dues which may be claimed by the said Religious Ladies from their subjects and vassals who may reside within the said seigniory, to whatever sums they may amount, and also to take cognizance of all matters which may taken cognizance of by persons invested wich inferior jurisdiction, as also of all matters between their subjects and vassals amounting to the sum of fifty *sols*, and of all offences which may be subject to a fine not exceeding the sum of ten *sols*, on condition that the appeals from their officers shall lie openly before the Royal Jurisdiction and before the Lieutenant General of Three Rivers to whom their judge shall be obliged to give information thereof in case the offences should be punishable by a greater fine; and also on condition that they shall cause all offenders, who may be found within their fief, to be taken to the prisons of the Royal Jurisdiction of Three Rivers, for which purpose they may have constables and prisons of their own; that they shall cause their attorney to render fealty and homage, in their name, at the Castle of St. Louis, at Quebec,

of which the said fief shall be held, with the exception of the rights of mortmain and indemnity for the discharge thereof the said Religious Ladies may apply to His Majesty; on condition also that they shall preserve and cause to be preserved, by those to whom they may grant concessions within their *censive*, the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's ships; that they shall disclose to the King, or to the Governor and Intendant of the country, the mines, mining places and minerals, if any there be, within the said extent, that they shall cause their tenants to keep house and home there and oblige them to clear the lands within the year of their particular concessions; and in case His Majesty should hereafter require any part of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines or other public works, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works, without being bound to pay any compensation to the said Religious Ladies, nor to the proprietors of the lands which may be required by His Majesty, and lastly on condition that they shall leave the necessary roads and passages for the public utility, and shall only take the said land from the Religious Ladies, on paying the simple dues of twenty *sols* and one chapon for each arpent in front by twenty arpents in depth, and six pence of *cens*, without its being possible to insert in the said concessions any sums of money whatever or any charge other than the simple rent, according to His Majesty's intentions; of which present grant the said Religious Ladies shall be obliged to obtain the confirmation, and which grant we have signed, and had countersigned by our Secretaries, and had affixed thereto the seal of our arms, given at Quebec, the eighteenth of April, one thousand seven hundred and twenty-seven.

(Signed) "BEAUHARNOIS."
" "DUPUY."

And lower down,
By His Lordship, De Monceau,
And by His Lordship, Tachereau,
With a flourish.

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*Ratification of a grant on the River Yamaska, in favor of Messire Pierre Armand Dosquet, Bishop of Samos.*

Dated the 8th April, 1732.

Extract from the register, Ins. Sup. Coun., letter G, folio 25.

This eighth day of April, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-two, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grant made by the Sieur de Beauharnois, the Governor and Lieutenant General, and the Sieur Hocquart, Intendant of New France, on the fifteenth of October, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-one, to the Sieur Pierre Herman Dosquet, Bishop of Samos, Coadjutor of Quebec, of a lot of land in the said country, His Majesty hath confirmed and ratified the said grant, being desirous that the said Sieur Dosquet and his assigns should enjoy the same forever as their own property, (*comme de leur propre*), as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, and the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said grant, without, being bound by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, nor to the Kings, his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to the said Sieur Dosquet to whatever sum they might amount; on condition that he shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the same shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom

who shall be established there, shall lie before the Royal Jurisdiction of Montreal; on condition also that he shall preserve and cause his tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's vessels; that he shall disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places and minerals, if any there be throughout the extent of the said grant; that he shall improve it and keep and cause his tenants to keep house and home thereon (*y tenir feu et lieu*) in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; and leave the necessary roads for the public utility, and also that he shall leave the beaches free to all fishermen with the exception of such parts as he may require for his own fisheries; and in case His Majesty should hereafter require any parts of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works thereon, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works, and for firewood for the said garrison of the said forts, without paying any indemnity therefor, His Majesty's will being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above stated without any exception or pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant; and in testimony of his will, His Majesty hath commanded me to issue the present Letters Patent, which are to be enregistered in the Superior Council of Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when necessary, and which he hath been pleased to sign, and to have countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, " PHELYPEAUX.

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*Ratification of a grant on the Chambly River, in favor of the Sieur Lafontaine de Bellecourt.*

Dated the 8th February, 1735.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun. Letter II. folio 34.

This eighth day of February, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-five, the King being at Marly and wishing to confirm and ratify the grant made on the fifth of April, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-three by the Marquis de Beauharnois, the King's Governor and Lieutenant General in New France, and the Sr. Hocquart, Intendant of the said country, to the Sieur de Lafontaine de Bellecourt, of a lot of land, as a seigniory, of five quarters of a league in front on the Chambly River, commencing at the boundary of the seigniory lately conceded to the Sieur Foucault and upon the same line, ascending along the said Chambly River, by the depth that there may be to the bay of Missiskouy, the said extent of land bounded on the north side by the said seigniory lately conceded to the said Sieur Foucault and upon the same line as it, and on the south side at five quarters of a league from the said line, by a parallel line drawn east and west, in front by the Chambly River and in depth by the Bay of Missiskouy; His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant, being willing that the said Sieur de Lafontaine de Bellecourt, his heirs or assigns, should enjoy the same forever as their own property (*comme de leur propre*), as a fief and seigniory with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, and the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said Seigniory, without, by reason thereof, being bound to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to them, to whatever sum they may amount; on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary

and that the appeals from the judge who shall be established there shall lie before the Royal Jurisdiction of Montreal; on condition also, that he shall preserve and cause his tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's vessels, and disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be within the said grant; that he shall improve it, and keep and cause his tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that he shall leave the necessary roads for the public utility, and also leave the beaches free to all fisherman, with the exception of such parts thereof as he may require for his own fisheries; and in case His Majesty should hereafter require any parts of the said lands for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works, and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without paying any indemnity therefor, it being His Majesty's will and pleasure that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above stated without any exception whatever, on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And, in testimony of his will, he hath ordered me to issue the present Letters Patent which are to be enregistered in the Office of the Superior Council of Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when requisite, and which he hath been pleased to sign, and to have countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, PHELYPEAUX.

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*Ratification of the grant on the Bay of Missiskoui on Lake Champlain, in favor of the Sieur Daine.*

Dated the 6th April, 1734.

Extract from the Register ins. sup. Coun. Letter G, folio 44.

This sixth day of April, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-four, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grant made by the Sieur de Beauharnois, His Majesty's Governor and Lieutenant General in New France, and the Sieur Hocquart, Intendant of the said country, on the 5th of April one thousand seven hundred and thirty-three, to the Sieur Daine, Chief Clerk of the Superior Council of Quebec, of a lot of land of one league and a half in front on the Bay of Missiskoui, in Lake Champlain, by three leagues in depth, bounded on one side by the mouth of the Rivière du Brochet, extending towards the line which bounds the depth of the Seigniory belonging to the Sieur de Noyan, on the other side, at the distance of one league and a half from the mouth of the said river, towards the east by a line drawn north-east and south-west, in front by the Bay and by three leagues in depth joining the unconceded lands; His Majesty hath confirmed and ratified the said grant, being desirous that the said Sieur Daine, his heirs or assigns should enjoy the same forever as their own property, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, and the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said seigniory, without, by reason thereof, being bound to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to him to whatever sum they may amount; on condition that he shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and pay the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; and that the appeals from the judge

who shall be established at the said place, shall lie before the Royal Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition also that they shall preserve and cause their tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's vessels and disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be within the said grant; that they shall improve it, and keep and cause their tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain, that they shall leave the necessary roads for the public use and leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as they may require for their own fisheries; and in case His Majesty should hereafter require any parts of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works thereon, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor, His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions hereinabove set forth, without any exception whatsoever on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And, in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, I am commanded by him to issue these Letters Patent which shall be enregistered in the Office of the Superior Council at Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when necessary, His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same and to have them countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, " PHELYPEAUX.

With a flourish.

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*Ratification of a grant on Lake Champlain, in favor of the Sieur de St. Vincent, the younger.*

Dated the 8th February, 1735.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun., letter G, folio 59.

This eighth day of February, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-five, the King being at Marly, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grant made on the twelfth of April, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-three, by the Marquis de Beauharnois, His Majesty's Governor and Lieutenant General in New France, and the Sr. Hocquart, Intendant of the said country, to the Sieur de St. Vincent, the younger, Ensign in the troops stationed there, of a lot of land, as a seigniory, of two leagues in front by three leagues in depth, on Lake Champlain, commencing at the boundary of the seigniory lately conceded to the Sieur de la Gauchetière and upon the same line, and on the south side at two leagues from the said line, by a parallel line running east and west, in front by Lake Champlain, and at the depth of the three leagues, adjoining the unconceded lands, His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant, his pleasure being that the said Sieur St. Vincent, his heirs and assigns, shall enjoy the same forever as their own property, (*comme de leur propre*), as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said seigniory, without being required, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty or to the kings, his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty being pleased to remit the same, to whatever sum they may amount; on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris fol-

lowed in the said country; that the appeals from the judge who shall be established there shall lie before the Royal Jurisdiction of Montreal; on condition also, that they shall preserve and cause their tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's vessels; that they shall disclose to His Majesty or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be within the said grant; that they shall improve it, and keep and cause their tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that they shall leave the necessary roads for public use, and also leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as they shall require for their own fisheries; and in case His Majesty should hereafter require any parts of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works thereon, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works, and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts without paying any compensation therefor, His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the condition above stated, without any exception whatever, on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant And, in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, I am commanded by him to issue these Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the office of the Superior Council at Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when necessary, His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and to have them countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, " PHELYPEAUX.

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*Ratification of a grant on Lake Champlain, in favor of the Sieur Réné Boucher de Laperrière.*

Dated the 8th February, 1735.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun., letter G, folio 67.

This eighth day of February, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-five, the King, being at Marly, and wishing to confirm the grant made on the sixth of July, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-four, by the Marquis de Beauharnois, His Majesty's Governor and Lieutenant General in New France, and the Sr. Hocquart, Intendant of the said country, to the Sieur Réné Boucher, Esquire, Sieur Delaperière, Captain in the troops stationed in that country, of a lot of land, as a seigniory, on the shore of Lake Champlain, commencing at the mouth of the River Ouynonki, and extending one league above and one league below the same, forming two leagues in front by three leagues in depth, bounded in front by Lake Champlain, by a *trait-quarré* north and south, to the north by a line east and west adjoining the unconceded lands, and the south by a parallel line adjoining the unconceded lands, and, in depth, by a line running parallel to the front line, and also adjoining the unconceded lands, with such part of the river as may be within the same, together with the adjacent islands and shoals, His Majesty hath confirmed and ratified the said grant, his pleasure being that the said Sieur Boucher De la Perière, his heirs or assigns, shall enjoy the same as their own property, (*comme de leur propre*), as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said seigniory, without being required, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to whatever sum they may amount; on condition that

who shall be established at the said place, shall lie before the Royal Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition also that they shall preserve and cause their tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's vessels and disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be within the said grant; that they shall improve it, and keep and cause their tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain, that they shall leave the necessary roads for the public use and leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as they may require for their own fisheries; and in case His Majesty should hereafter require any parts of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works thereon, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor, His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions hereinabove set forth, without any exception whatsoever on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And, in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, I am commanded by him to issue these Letters Patent which shall be enregistered in the Office of the Superior Council at Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when necessary, His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same and to have them countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, " PHELYPEAUX.

With a flourish.

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*Ratification of a grant on Lake Champlain, in favor of the Sieur de St. Vincent, the younger.*

Dated the 8th February, 1735.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun., letter G, folio 59.

This eighth day of February, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-five, the King being at Marly, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grant made on the twelfth of April, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-three, by the Marquis de Beauharnois, His Majesty's Governor and Lieutenant General in New France, and the Sr. Hocquart, Intendant of the said country, to the Sieur de St. Vincent, the younger, Ensign in the troops stationed there, of a lot of land, as a seigniory, of two leagues in front by three leagues in depth, on Lake Champlain, commencing at the boundary of the seigniory lately conceded to the Sieur de la Gauchetière and upon the same line, and on the south side at two leagues from the said line, by a parallel line running east and west, in front by Lake Champlain, and at the depth of the three leagues, adjoining the unconceded lands, His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant, his pleasure being that the said Sieur St. Vincent, his heirs and assigns, shall enjoy the same forever as their own property, (*comme de leur propre*), as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said seigniory, without being required, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty or to the kings, his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty being pleased to remit the same, to whatever sum they may amount; on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, *and on payment* of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris fol-

followed in the said country; that the appeals from the judge who shall be established there, shall lie before the Royal Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition also, that they shall preserve and cause their tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's vessels; that they shall disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be in the said grant; that they shall improve it and keep and cause their tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that they shall leave the necessary roads for the public use and also leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as they shall require for their own fisheries. And in case His Majesty should hereafter require any parts of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor; His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above set forth, without any exception whatever on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, I am commanded by him to issue the present Letters Patent, which are to be enregistered in the office of the Superior Council at Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when requisite, His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and to have them countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) "LOUIS,"

And lower down, " "PHELIPPEAUX."

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*Ratification of a grant on Lake Champlain in favor of the Sieur Pierre Pecaudy de Contrecœur.*

Dated the 8th February, 1735.

Extract from the register, Ins. Sup. Coun. Letter G. folio 68.

This eighth day of February, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-five, the King being at Marly, and wishing to confirm the grant made on the seventh of July one thousand, seven hundred and thirty-four, by the Marquis de Beauharnois, His Majesty's Governor and Lieutenant General in New France, and the Sieur Hocquart, Intendant of the said country, to the Sieur Pierre Pecaudy de Contrecœur, Esquire, eldest son, and Ensign in the troops stationed there, of an extent, as a seigniory, on the shore of Lake Champlain, commencing at the mouth of the River aux Loutres, and extending a league and a half above and half a league below the same, making two leagues in front by three leagues in depth, with that portion of the Rivière aux Loutres comprised within the same, with the three islands or islets situate in front of the said grant and dependent thereon, the said extent of land bounded in front by Lake Champlain aforesaid, by a *trait quarré* north and south, to the north by a line east and west adjoining the unconceded lands, and to the south by a parallel line also adjoining the unconceded lands, and in depth by a line parallel to the front line, likewise adjoining the unconceded lands; His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant, his pleasure being that the said Sieur Pecaudy de Contrecœur, his heirs and assigns, shall enjoy the same forever, as their own property, (*comme de leur propre*), as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said seigniory, without being required, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or the Kings his successors, any money

or indemnity, His Majesty being pleased to remit the same, to whatever sum they may amount, on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; that the appeals from the judge who shall be established at the said place, shall lie before the Royal Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition also that they shall preserve and cause their tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's ships; that they shall disclose to His Majesty or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places or minerals, if any be found in the said grant; that they shall improve it, and keep and cause their tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that they shall leave the necessary roads for the public use, and also leave the beaches free to all fishermen except such parts thereof as they may require for their own fisheries. And in case His Majesty should hereafter require any part of the said land, for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works thereon, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts without being bound to pay any compensation therefor, His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above set forth, without any exception whatever on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, I am commanded by him to issue the present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the office of the Superior Council at Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when requisite, His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and to have them countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed) " LOUIS."

And lower down. " " PHELIPPEAUX."

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*Ratification of a grant on the Chambly River at Lake Champlain, with the River Chazy, in favor of the Sieur Hugues Jacques Péan de Livaudière.*

Dated the 8th February, 1735.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun. Letter G. folio 69.

This eighth day of February, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-five, the King being at Marly and wishing to confirm the grant made on the tenth of April, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-three, by the Marquis de Beauharnois, His Majesty's Governor and Lieutenant General in New France, and the Sr. Hocquart, Intendant of the said country to the Sieur Hugues Jacques Péan, Sieur de Livaudière, knight of the Military order of St. Louis, heretofore a Captain of Infantry and now a Major at Quebec, of an extent of land, as a seigniory, of two leagues in a half in front by three leagues in depth along the Chambly River and on lake Champlain, including the River Chazy, the front of the said land to commence at the boundary of the seigniory lately conceded to the Sieur de Beaujeu, extending one league above the mouth of the River Chazy the front of the said land to commence at the boundary of the seigniory lately conceded to the Sieur de Beaujeu, extending one league above the mouth of the River Chazy, on the south side, with that part of the said River Chazy comprised within the said land, and also the Island called *la Motte* opposite the said land in lake Champlain, the said extend of land bounded on the north and south sides by two lines running east and west, in front by the Chambly River and by Lake Champlain, and at the depth of the three leagues, adjoining the unconceded lands, by a line running

north and south, parallel to the one which is to pass by the mouth of the River Chazy; His Majesty hath confirmed and ratified the said Sieur Péan de Livaudière, his heirs and assigns, shall enjoy the same forever as their own property, (*comme de leur propre*), as a fief and seigniory, with superior mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said seigniory, without being required, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any money or indemnity, His Majesty having being pleased to remit the same to whatever sum they may amount, on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; and that the appeals from the judge who shall be established at the said place, shall lie before the Royal Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition also that they shall preserve and cause their tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's vessels; that they shall disclose to His Majesty or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines mining places or minerals, if any there be in the said grant; that they shall improve it and keep and cause their tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that they shall also leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as they shall require for their own fisheries. And in case His Majesty should hereafter require any parts of the said land, for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works thereon, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works, and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor; His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions hereinabove set forth, without any exception whatever, on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure I am commanded by him to issue the present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the office of the Superior Council at Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when requisite, His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and to have them countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.
" PHELIPPEAUX.

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*Ratification of a grant on Lake Champlain, in favor of the Sieur Charles René LeGardeur de Beauvais, the younger.*

Dated the 8th February, 1735.

Extract from the register, Ins. Sup. Coun. Letter G, folio 70,

This eighth day of February, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-five, the King being at Marly, and wishing to confirm the grant made on the twentieth of July, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-four, by the Marquis de Beauharnois, His Majesty's Governor and Lieutenant General in New France, and the Sieur Hocquart, Intendant of the said country, to the Sieur Charles René Le Gardeur, Esquire, Sieur de Beauvais, the younger, of an extent of land, as a seigniory, on the shore of Lake Champlain, of two leagues in front by three leagues in depth, commencing at the boundary line of the Seigniory of the Sieur Lusignan and ascending along Lake Champlain, the said land bounded in front by Lake Champlain, by a *trait quarré* north and south, on the north side by a line east and west adjoining the grant hereto-

fore made to the Sieur de Lusignan, on the south side by a parallel line adjoining the unconceded lands, and in depth by a line parallel to the front line, also adjoining the unconceded lands, with the neck of land comprised in the frontage of the said land; His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant, his pleasure being that the said Sieur Le Gardeur de Beauvais, the younger, his heirs or assigns, shall enjoy the same forever as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said grant, without being required, by reason thereof to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors any money or indemnity, His Majesty having being pleased to remit the same to whatever sum they may amount, on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; and that the appeals from the juge who shall be established there, shall lie before the Royal Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition also that they shall preserve and cause their tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's ships; that they shall disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be in the said grant; that they shall improve it and keep and cause their tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that they shall leave the necessary roads for the public use and also leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as they shall require for their own fisheries. And in case His Majesty should hereafter require any parts of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works thereon, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor, His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions hereinabove set forth, without any exception whatever on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant; and in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, I am commanded by him to issue the present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the office of the Superior Council at Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when requisite, His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same and to have them countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed) " LOUIS."

And lower down, " " PHELIPPEAUX."

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*Ratification of a grant on Lake Champlain, in favor of the Sieur Migeon de la Gauchetière.*

Dated the 8th February, 1735.

Extract from the registers ins. Sup. Coun. Letter G, folio 77.

This eighth day of February one thousand seven hundred and thirty-five, the King being at Marly, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grant made on the eleventh of April, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-three, by the Marquis de Beauharnois, His Majesty's Governor and Lieutenant General in New France, and the Sr. Hocquart, Intendant of the said country, to the Sieur Migeon de la Gauchetière, an infantry captain in Canada, of a lot of land, as a seigniory, of two leagues in front by three leagues in depth, on Lake Champlain, commencing at the boundary of the sei-

gniory lately conceded to the Sieur Péan, ascending along Lake Champlain; the whole of the said land bounded on the north side by a line running east and west, which shall be a common boundary between the said Sieur Péan and the Sieur Migeon de la Gauchetière, and to the south, at five leagues from the line, by a parallel line running east and west, in front by Lake Champlain, and at the depth of three leagues adjoining the unconceded lands. His Majesty hath confirmed and ratified the said grant, His pleasure being that the said Sieur de la Gauchetière, his heirs or assigns, shall enjoy the same forever as their own property (*comme de leur propre,*) as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, and the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said seigniory, without being required, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty being pleased to remit the same, to whatever sum they may amount, on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues, according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; that the appeals from the judge who shall be established at the said place, shall lie before the Royal Jurisdiction; on the condition also that they shall preserve and cause their tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's vessels; that they shall disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be in the said grant; that they shall improve it and keep and cause their tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that they shall leave the roads necessary for the public use, and also leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as they shall require for there own fisheries; and in case His Majesty should hereafter require any parts of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor; His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above set forth, without any exception whatever on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant; and in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure I am commanded by him to issue the present Letters Patent, which are to be enregistered in the Office of the Superior Council at Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when requisite, His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same and to have them countersigned by me his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) " LOUIS,"

And lower down, " " PHELIPPEAUX."

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*Ratification of a grant on the Chambly River in favor of the Sieur Chaussegros Deléry.*

Dated the 8th February, 1735.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Cons, Letter G, folio 74,

This eighth day of February, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-five, the King being at Marly, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grant made on the sixth of April one thousand seven hundred and thirty-three, by the Marquis de Beauharnois, His Majesty's Governor and Lieutenant General in New France, and the Sieur Hocquart, Intendant of the said country, to the Sieur Chaussegros Deléry, chief Engineer in the towns of New

or indemnity, His Majesty being pleased to remit the same, to whatever sum they may amount, on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; that the appeals from the judge who shall be established at the said place, shall lie before the Royal Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition also that they shall preserve and cause their tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's ships; that they shall disclose to His Majesty or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places or minerals, if any be found in the said grant; that they shall improve it, and keep and cause their tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that they shall leave the necessary roads for the public use, and also leave the beaches free to all fishermen except such parts thereof as they may require for their own fisheries. And in case His Majesty should hereafter require any part of the said land, for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works thereon, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts without being bound to pay any compensation therefor, His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above set forth, without any exception whatever on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, I am commanded by him to issue the present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the office of the Superior Council at Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when requisite, His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and to have them countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed) " LOUIS."

And lower down. " " PHELIPPEAUX."

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*Ratification of a grant on the Chambly River at Lake Champlain, with the River Chazy, in favor of the Sieur Hugues Jacques Péan de Livaudière.*

Dated the 8th February, 1735.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun. Letter G. folio 69.

This eighth day of February, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-five, the King being at Marly and wishing to confirm the grant made on the tenth of April, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-three, by the Marquis de Beauharnois, His Majesty's Governor and Lieutenant General in New France, and the Sr. Hocquart, Intendant of the said country to the Sieur Hugues Jacques Péan, Sieur de Livaudière, knight of the Military order of St. Louis, heretofore a Captain of Infantry and now a Major at Quebec, of an extent of land, as a seigniory, of two leagues in a half in front by three leagues in depth along the Chambly River and on lake Champlain, including the River Chazy, the front of the said land to commence at the boundary of the seigniory lately conceded to the Sieur de Beaujeu, extending one league above the mouth of the River Chazy the front of the said land to commence at the boundary of the seigniory lately conceded to the Sieur de Beaujeu, extending one league above the mouth of the River Chazy, on the south side, with that part of the said River Chazy comprised within the said land, and also the Island called *la Motte* opposite the said land in lake Champlain, the said extend of land bounded on the north and south sides by two lines running east and west, in front by the Chambly River and by Lake Champlain, and at the depth of the three leagues, adjoining the unconceded lands, by a line running

north and south, parallel to the one which is to pass by the mouth of the River Chazy; His Majesty hath confirmed and ratified the said Sieur Péan de Livaudière, his heirs and assigns, shall enjoy the same forever as their own property, (*comme de leur propre*), as a fief and seigniory, with superior mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said seigniory, without being required, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any money or indemnity, His Majesty having being pleased to remit the same to whatever sum they may amount, on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; and that the appeals from the judge who shall be established at the said place, shall lie before the Royal Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition also that they shall preserve and cause their tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's vessels; that they shall disclose to His Majesty or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines mining places or minerals, if any there be in the said grant; that they shall improve it and keep and cause their tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that they shall also leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as they shall require for their own fisheries. And in case His Majesty should hereafter require any parts of the said land, for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works thereon, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works, and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor; His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions hereinabove set forth, without any exception whatever, on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure I am commanded by him to issue the present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the office of the Superior Council at Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when requisite, His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and to have them countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.
" PHELIPPEAUX.

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*Ratification of a grant on Lake Champlain, in favor of the Sieur Charles René LeGardeur de Beauvais, the younger.*

Dated the 8th February, 1735.

Extract from the register, Ins. Sup. Coun. Letter G, folio 70,

This eighth day of February, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-five, the King being at Marly, and wishing to confirm the grant made on the twentieth of July, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-four, by the Marquis de Beauharnois, His Majesty's Governor and Lieutenant General in New France, and the Sieur Hocquart, Intendant of the said country, to the Sieur Charles René Le Gardeur, Esquire, Sieur de Beauvais, the younger, of an extent of land, as a seigniory, on the shore of Lake Champlain, of two leagues in front by three leagues in depth, commencing at the boundary line of the Seigniory of the Sieur Lusignan and ascending along Lake Champlain, the said land bounded in front by Lake Champlain, by a *trait quarré* north and south, on the north side by a line east and west adjoining the grant hereto-

fore made to the Sieur de Lusignan, on the south side by a parallel line adjoining the unconceded lands, and in depth by a line parallel to the front line, also adjoining the unconceded lands, with the neck of land comprised in the frontage of the said land; His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant, his pleasure being that the said Sieur Le Gardeur de Beauvais, the younger, his heirs or assigns, shall enjoy the same forever as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said grant, without being required, by reason thereof to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors any money or indemnity, His Majesty having being pleased to remit the same to whatever sum they may amount, on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; and that the appeals from the juge who shall be established there, shall lie before the Royal Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition also that they shall preserve and cause their tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's ships; that they shall disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be in the said grant; that they shall improve it and keep and cause their tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that they shall leave the necessary roads for the public use and also leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as they shall require for their own fisheries. And in case His Majesty should hereafter require any parts of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works thereon, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor, His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions hereinabove set forth, without any exception whatever on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant; and in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, I am commanded by him to issue the present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the office of the Superior Council at Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when requisite, His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same and to have them countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, Commands and Finance.

(Signed) " LOUIS."

And lower down, " " PHELIPPEAUX."

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*Ratification of a grant on Lake Champlain, in favor of the Sieur Migeon de la Gauchetière.*

Dated the 8th February, 1735.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun. Letter G, folio 77.

This eighth day of February one thousand seven hundred and thirty-five, the King being at Marly, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grant made on the eleventh of April, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-three, by the Marquis de Beauharnois, His Majesty's Governor and Lieutenant General in New France, and the Sr. Hocquart, Intendant of the said country, to the Sieur Migeon de la Gauchetière, an infantry captain in Canada, of a lot of land, as a seigniory, of two leagues in front by three leagues in depth, on Lake Champlain, commencing at the boundary of the sei-

gniory lately conceded to the Sieur Péan, ascending along Lake Champlain; the whole of the said land bounded on the north side by a line running east and west, which shall be a common boundary between the said Sieur Péan and the Sieur Migeon de la Gauchetière, and to the south, at five leagues from the line, by a parallel line running east and west, in front by Lake Champlain, and at the depth of three leagues adjoining the unconceded lands. His Majesty hath confirmed and ratified the said grant, His pleasure being that the said Sieur de la Gauchetière, his heirs or assigns, shall enjoy the same forever as their own property (*comme de leur propre*,) as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, and the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said seigniory, without being required, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty being pleased to remit the same, to whatever sum they may amount, on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues, according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; that the appeals from the judge who shall be established at the said place, shall lie before the Royal Jurisdiction; on the condition also that they shall preserve and cause their tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's vessels; that they shall disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be in the said grant; that they shall improve it and keep and cause their tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that they shall leave the roads necessary for the public use, and also leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as they shall require for there own fisheries; and in case His Majesty should hereafter require any parts of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor; His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above set forth, without any exception whatever on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant; and in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure I am commanded by him to issue the present Letters Patent, which are to be enregistered in the Office of the Superior Council at Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when requisite, His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same and to have them countersigned by me his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) " LOUIS,"

And lower down, " " PHELIPPEAUX."

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*Ratification of a grant on the Chambly River in favor of the Sieur Chaussegros Deléry.*

Dated the 8th February, 1735.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Cons, Letter G, folio 74,

This eighth day of February, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-five, the King being at Marly, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grant made on the sixth of April one thousand seven hundred and thirty-three, by the Marquis de Beauharnois, His Majesty's Governor and Lieutenant General in New France, and the Sieur Hocquart, Intendant of the said country, to the Sieur Chaussegros Deléry, chief Engineer in the towns of New

France, of a lot of land, as a seigniory, of two leagues in front, along the Chambly River, by three leagues in depth, commencing at the boundary of the Seigniory of Longueuil, which extends towards the north west, ascending towards Lake Champlain, which extent of land shall be bounded on the north side by the Seigniory of the said Sieur de Longueuil and upon the same line; on the south side, at two leagues from the said Seigniory by a line drawn east and west; in front by the Chambly River; and in depth, at a distance of three leagues, adjoining the unconceded lands; His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant, his pleasure being that the said Sieur Chaussegros Deléry, his heirs or assigns, shall enjoy the same forever as their own property, as a fief and seigniory, with superior mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said Seigniory; without being required, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any money or indemnity, His Majesty being pleased to remit the same, to whatever sum they may amount; on the condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; that the appeals from the Judge who shall be established there, shall lie before the Royal Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition also that they shall preserve and cause their tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's vessels; that they shall disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be within the said grant; that they shall improve it, and keep and cause their tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that they shall leave the necessary roads for the public use, and also that they shall leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as they shall require for their own fisheries. And in case His Majesty should hereafter require any parts of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor; His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above set forth, without any exception whatever, on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure I am commanded by him to issue the present Letters Patent, which are to be enregistered in the office of the Superior Council at Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when requisite, His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and to have them countersigned by me his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) " LOUIS,"

And lower down, " " PHELYPEAUX."

With a flourish.

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*Ratification of the grant of the Seigniory of Grande Isle in Lake Champlain, in favor of the Sieur François Antoine de Pecaudy de Contrecœur.*

Dated the 8th of Febuary, 1735.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun., Letter G, folio 76.

This eighth day of February, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-five, the King being at Marly, and wishing to confirm the grant, made on the first of July, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-four, by the Marquis de Beauharnois, His Majesty's Governor and Lieutenant,

General in New France, and the Sieur Hocquart, Intendant of the said country to the Sieur François Antoine de Pecaudy, Esquire, Seignior of Contrecœur, Captain in the troops stationed there, of an island situate in Lake Champlain, called Grande Isle with the islands and shoals dependent thereon as a seigniory; His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant, his pleasure being that the said Sieur Pecaudy de Contrecœur, his heirs and assigns, shall enjoy the same forever as their own property, as a fief and Seigniory, with superior mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said seigniory, without being required, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors any money or indemnity, His Maesty being pleased to remit the same, to whatever sum they may amount; on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; that the appeals from the judge who shall be established at the said place, shall lie before the Royal Jurisdiction of Montreal; on condition also that they shall preserve and cause their tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's vessels; that they shall disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be in the said grant; that they shall improve it, and keep and cause their tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that they shall leave the necessary roads for the public use and also that they shall leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as they may require for their own fisheries. And in case His Majesty should hereafter require any part of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor, His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above set forth, without any exception whatever on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, I am commanded by him to issue these Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the office of the Superior Council at Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when requisite; His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and to have them countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) " LOUIS,"

And lower down, " " PHELIPPEAUX."

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*Ratification of a grant at the Bay of Missiskouy, in Lake Champlain, in favor of the Sieur de Lusignan.*

Dated the 8th February, 1735.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun., letter G, folio 88.

This eighth day of February, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-five, the King being at Marly, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grant made on the sixth of April, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-three, by the Marquis de Beauharnois, His Majesty's Governor and Lieutenant General in New France, and the Sr. Hocquart, Intendant of the said country, to the Sieur de Lusignan, an officer in the troops stationed there, of an extent of land, as a seigniory, of two leagues in front, or thereabouts, by three leagues in depth, at the Bay of Missiskouy, or Lake Champlain, commencing at the boundary of the seigniory lately conceded to the Sieur Daine, chief clerk of

the Superior Council, as far as a quarter of a league above the River du Rocher, extending towards the Lake, the said extent of land bounded towards the north by the boundary of the said seigniory lately conceded to the Sieur Daine, which is a line running north east and south west, and towards the south by a line drawn east and west at a quarter of a league from the mouth of the said River du Rocher, in front by the Bay of Missiskouy, and at the depth of three leagues, adjoining the unconceded lands, His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant, his pleasure being that the said Sieur de Lusignan, his heirs and assigns, shall enjoy the same forever as their own property, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said seigniory, without being required, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any money or indemnity, His Majesty being pleased to remit the same to whatever sum they may amount; on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; that the appeals from the judge who shall be established at the said place, shall lie before the Royal Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition also, that they shall preserve and cause their tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's vessels; that they shall disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be within the said grant; that they shall improve it and keep and cause their tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that they shall leave the necessary roads for the public use, and also that they shall leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as they shall require for their own fisheries; and, in case His Majesty should hereafter require any parts of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor, His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above set forth, without any exception whatever on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And, in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, I am commanded by him to issue the present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the Office of the Superior Council at Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when requisite, His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and order them to be countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) "LOUIS."

And lower down, " "PHELIPPEAUX."

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*Ratification of the grant of a seigniory called* Rivière à la Colle, (*Fief Beaujeu*) *in favor of the Sieur Denis de la Ronde.*

Dated the 8th February, 1735.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun., letter H, folio 16.

This eighth day of February, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-five, the King being at Marly, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grant made on the eight of October, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-three, by the Marquis de Beauharnois, His Majesty's Governor and Lieutenant General in New France, and the Sieur Hocquart, Intendant of the said country, to the Sieur Louis Denis de la Ronde, Knight of the Military Order of St. Louis, Captain of a Company of the Marine Force in Canada, of an extent of

land, as a seigniory, of two leagues in front, along the Chambly River, by two leagues in depth, with the small island above l'*Isle aux Testes*, the said two leagues in front to commence at the boundary of the seigniory also conceded to the Sieur Chaussegros Delery, and upon the same line, ascending towards Lake Champlain, within which land is situate the *Rivière dite à la Colle*, the said extent of land bounded on the north side by the said seigniory lately conceded to the Sieur Delery, and upon the same line, and on the south by a line drawn east and west, in front by the Chambly River, and at the back, at the distance of three leagues adjoining the unconceded lands, His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant, His pleasure being that the said Sieur de la Ronde, his heirs or assigns, shall enjoy the same forever, as their own property, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said seigniory, without being required, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any money or indemnity, His Majesty being pleased to remit the same, to whatever sum they may amount; on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; that the appeals from the Judge who shall be established there shall lie before the Royal Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition also that they shall preserve and cause their tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's vessels; that they shall disclose to His Majesty or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places and minerals, if any there be in the said grant; that they shall improve it, and keep and cause their tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain, that they shall leave the necessary roads for the public use, and also leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as they shall require for their own fisheries; and, in case His Majesty should hereafter require any part of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works, and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor, His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above set forth, without any exception whatever, on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And, in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, I am commanded by him to issue the present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the Office of the Superior Council at Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when requisite, His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and order them to be countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And ower down, " PHELYPEAUX.

with a flourish.

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*Ratification of the grant of the Seigniory de Tonnancourt in favor of the Sieur Réné Godefroy de Tonnancourt.*

Dated the 22nd February, 1735.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Com. Letter G. folio 86.

This twenty-second day of February one thousand seven hundred and thirty five, the King being at Marly, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grant made on the third of November, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-four, by the Marquis de Beauharnois, His

Majesty's Governor and Lieutenant General in New France, and the Sr. Hocquart, Intendant of the said country, to the Sieur Réné Godefroy de Tonnancourt, Lieutenant General, both in civil and criminal matters in the Jurisdiction of Three Rivers, of an extent of land of half a league in front by one league in depth, the said front to commence at the end of the depth of the *fief* called de Normanville, belonging to the said Sieur de Tonnancourt, so as to be united to and joined to the said fief, and to form with the fief Seigneuret and Sauvaget, one and the same seigniory under the name of DeTonnancourt; His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant, his pleasure being that the said Sieur DeTonnancourt, his heirs and assigns, shall enjoy all the said lands forever as their own property, as a fief and seigniory under the name of DeTonnancourt, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said seigniory, without being required, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any money or indemnity, His Majesty being pleased to remit the same, to whatever sum they may amount, on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country, that the appeals from the judge who shall be established there shall lie before the Royal Jurisdiction of Three Rivers; on the condition also that they shall preserve, and cause their tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's ships; that they shall disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be in the said seigniory; that they shall improve it and keep and cause their tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that they shall leave the necessary roads for the public use, and also that they shall leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as they shall require for their own fisheries. And in case His Majesty should hereafter require any part of the said land, for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor; His Majesty's pleasure being that the said seigniory shall be subject to the conditions above set forth, without any exception whatever on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, I am commanded by him to issue the present letters patent, which shall be enregistered in the office of the Superior Council at Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when requisite His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and to have them countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, " COLBERT.

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*Ratification of the grant of the fief Labadie, in favor of the Sieur Godefroy de Tonnancourt.*

Dated the 22nd February, 1735.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun., letter G., folio 85.

This twenty-second day of February, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-five, the King being at Marly, and wishing to confirm and ratify the grant made on the third of November, one thousand six hundred and seventy-two, by the Sieur Talon, Intendant of New-France,

to Sieur Labadie of an extent of land, of one quarter of a league in front by a league in depth, commencing on the River St. Lawrence, above Three Rivers, at the concession of the Sieur Severin Ameau, and extending towards that of the Sieur Pierre Boucher, to hold to him, his heirs and assigns, as a fief and seigniory, which land now belongs to the Sieur Godefroy de Tonnancourt, Lieunant General both in civil and criminal matters within the jurisdiction of Three Rivers, by virtue of a donation made to him by the said Sieur Labadie; His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant, his pleasure being that the said Sieur de Tonnancourt, his heirs and assigns shall enjoy the same forever as their own property, as a fief and seigniory, but without any jurisdiction, without being required by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings, his successors, any money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to him to whatever sum they may amount, on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; on the condition also that they shall preserve and cause their tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's vessels; that they shall disclose to His Majesty, or the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places and minerals, if any there be in the said grant; that they shall improve it and keep and cause their tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that they shall leave the necessary roads for the public use and also leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as they shall require for their own fisheries. And in case His Majesty should hereafter require any part of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines or other public works, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works, and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor; His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above set forth, without any exception whatever on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, I am commanded by him to issue the present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the office of the Superior Council at Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when requisite; His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and to have them countersigned by me, His Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, " PHELIPPEAUX.

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*Ratification of the grant of the fief Livaudière, in favor of the Sieur Lafontaine de Bellecourt.*

Dated the 30th April, 1737.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun. letter H. folio 27.

This thirtieth day of April, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-seven, the King being at Versailles, and taking into his favorable consideration the petition which had been presented to him on behalf of the Sr. de la Fontaine de Bellecourt, Councillor in the Superior Council of Quebec, praying that His Majesty would be pleased to ratify and confirm a grant made to him on the tenth of October of last year, by the Marquis de Beauharnois, Governor and Lieutenant General of New France, and the Sieur Hocquart, Intendant of the said country, of an extent of land of three quarters of a league in front by three leagues in

depth, bounded in front by the end of the depth of the seigniory of Miss de Vincennes, on the north east side by the line of the Seigniory of Beaumont, on the south west side, and upon the same line by the Seigniory of Montapeine, and at the back by the unconceded lands, the whole as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, and the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians, both in front of the said land and throughout the same, His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant, his pleasure being that the said Sieur De la Fontaine de Bellecourt, his heirs and assigns, shall enjoy the said lands forever, as their own property, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said seigniory, according to and in conformity with the said grant, without being required, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to whatever sum they may amount, on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; that the appeals from the judge who shall be established there shall lie before the Jurisdiction of the *Prevosté* of Quebec; on the condition also that they shall preserve and cause their tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's vessels; that they shall disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places and minerals, if any there be in the said seigniory; that they shall improve it and keep and cause their tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that they shall leave the necessary roads for the public use and also leave the beaches free to all fisherman, except such parts thereof as they may require for their own fisheries. And in case His Majesty should hereafter require any part of the said lands for the purpose of building forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works thereon, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor; His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above set forth, without any exception whatever on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure I am commanded by him to issue the present letters patent which shall be enregistered in the office of the Superior Council at Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when requisite, His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same and have them countersigned by me, His Councillor, Secretary of State, and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS,

And lower down, " PHELYPEAUX.

With a flourish.

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*Ratification of the grant of the Seigniory Daigneau on Lake Champlain, in favor of the Sieur Daigneau Douville.*

Dated the 30th April, 1737.

Extract from the french register of enregistration, letter B, page 461.

This thirtieth day of April, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-seven, the King being at Versailles, and taking into consideration the request made to him on behalf of the Sieur Michel Daigneau Rouville, heretofore an officer in the troops stationed in Canada, to the effect that His Majesty would be pleased to confirm and ratify a grant made

to him on the eighth of October of last year by the Marquis de Beauharnois, Governor and Lieutenant General of New France, and the Sr. Hocquart, Intendant of the said country, of an extent of land of two leagues in front by three leagues in depth, on the east side of the Lake Champlain, the said two leagues to commence at the boundary of the seigniory granted to the Sieur Raimbault, on the said eighth of October last, and extending down the lake, with the adjacent islands, islets and shoals, the whole as a fief and seigniory bearing the name of Daigneaux; His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant, and it is his will and pleasure that the said Sieur Daigneaux, his heirs and assigns do enjoy the said lands forever as their own property, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, and the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said seigniory, according to and in conformity with the said grant, without being required, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings, his successors, any money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to him, to whatever sum they may amount, on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris, followed in the said country; that the appeals from the judge who shall be established there, shall lie before the Royal Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition also that they shall preserve and cause their tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's ships; that they shall disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places and minerals, if any there be within the said seigniory; that they shall improve it, and keep and cause their tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that they shall leave the necessary roads for the public use, and also leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as they shall require for their own fisheries. And in case His Majesty should hereafter require any grant of the said lands for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works, and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts without being bound to pay any compensation therefor; His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above stated, without any exception whatever, on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant; and in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, I am commanded by him to issue these Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the office of the Superior Council at Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when requisite; His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and to have them countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.
" PHELYPEAUX.
With a flourish.

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*Ratification of the grant of the Seigniory of Aubert Gallion, in favor of Dame Thérèse de Lalande Gayon, widow François Aubert.*

Dated the 30th April, 1737.

Extract from the register, Ins. Sup. Coun., Letter H. folio 32.

This thirtieth day of April, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-seven, the King being at Versailles, and taking into his consideration the request made to him by Thérèse de Lalande Gayon, widow of the Sieur François Aubert, Councillor in the Superior Council of Quebec, to

the effect that His Majesty would be pleased to confirm and ratify a grant made to her on the twenty-fourth of September of last year, by the Marquis de Beauharnois, the Governor and Lieutenant General of New France, and the Sr. Hocquart, Intendant of the said country, of an extent of land of two leagues in front by two leagues in depth, on the south west side of the river of the *Sault à la Chaudière*, with the islands and islets situate in the said river, within the said two leagues, on the south west side of the same; to commence at the end of the other three leagues conceded to the Sieur Fleury de la Gorgendière and to terminate at the unconceded lands; the whole as a fief and Seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, and the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians, both in front of and throughout the said land; His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant; and it is his pleasure that the said widow Aubert, her heirs and assigns shall enjoy the said lands forever, as their own property, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction and the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said seigniory, according to and in conformity with the said grant, without being required by reason thereof to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to them, to whatever sum they may amount, on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues, according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; that the appeals from the Judge who shall be established there, shall lie before the jurisdiction of the *Prévosté* of Quebec; on the condition also that they shall preserve and cause their tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's ships; that they shall disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be in the said seigniory; that they shall improve it and keep and cause their tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that they shall leave the necessary roads for the public use and also leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as they shall require for their own fisheries. And in case His Majesty should hereafter require any part of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor. His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above set forth, without any exception on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, I am commanded by him to issue the present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the Office of the Superior Council at Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when requisite, His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and to have them countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) "LOUIS."

And lower down " "PHELYPEAUX."

With a flourish.

*Ratification of the grant of the Fief de L'Isle, on the north east side of the river of the Sault de la Chaudière, in favor of the Sr. Aubin de l'Isle.*

Dated the 30th April, 1737.

Extract from the register, Ins. Sup. Coun., letter H. folio 30.

This thirtieth day of April, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-seven, the King being at Versailles, and taking in to his consideration the request made to him by the Sieur Aubin de l'Isle, clerk of the Marshalsea of Quebec, to the effect that His Majesty would be pleased to confirm and ratify a grant made to him on the twenty-fourth of September of last year, by the Marquis de Beauharnois, Governor and Lieutenant General of New France, and the Sr. Hocquart, Intendant of the said country, of an extent of land of two leagues in front, by two leagues in depth, on the north east side of the river of the Sault de la Chaudière, with the islands and islets in the river within the extent of the said two leagues, ascending on the north east side of the said river, commencing at the termination of the other three leagues conceded to the Sieur Fleury de la Gorgendière, and terminating at the unconceded lands, the whole as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians, both in front of and throughout the interior of the said land; His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant, his pleasure being that the said Sieur Aubin de l'Isle, his heirs or assigns shall enjoy the said lands forever, as their own property as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, and the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said seigniory, according to and in conformity with the said grant, without being required, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any money or indemnity; His Majesty being pleased to remit the same to whatever sum they may amount, on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; that the appeals from the Judge who shall be established there shall lie before the jurisdiction of the *Prévosté* of Quebec, on the condition also that they shall preserve and cause their tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's vessels; that they shall disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be in the said seigniory; that they shall improve it and keep and cause their tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that they shall leave the roads necessary for the public use, and also leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as they shall require for their own fisheries. And in case His Majesty should hereafter require any part of the said lands for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works thereon, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor; His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above stated, without any exception whatever on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, I am commanded by him to issue the present Letters Patent which shall be enregistered in the office of the Superior Council at Quebec, in order that recourse may had thereto when requisite, His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and to have them countersigned by me, His Councillor, Secretary of State, and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS,

And lower down, " PHELYPEAUX.

With a flourish.

*Ratification of a grant on the River of the Sault de la Chaudière, in favor of the Sieurs Thomas Jacques Taschereau, Pierre Rigaud de Vaudreuil, and Joseph Fleury de la Gorgendière.*

Dated the 30th April, 1737.

Extract from the register, Ins. Sup. Coun. Letter H, folio 36.

This thirtieth day of April, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-seven, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify a grant made on the twenty-third of September, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-six, by the Marquis de Beauharnois, Governor and Lieutenant General of New France, and the Sr. Hocquart, Intendant of the said country, to the Sieur Thomas Jacques Taschereau, Councillor in the Superior Council of Quebec, of an extent of land of three leagues in front, by two in depth, on both sides of the Chaudière River, with the lakes, islands and islets in the said river within the said extent of three leagues, ascending the said river, commencing at the place called "l'*Isle aux Sapins*" inclusively, situate in the said river, which extent of land, on both sides, has not yet been conceded, to be enjoyed by him as a fief and seigniory; another grant, made by the same persons, on the same day, to the Sieur Pierre Rigaud de Vaudreuil, a Captain in the troops maintained in His Majesty's service in the said country, of a like extent of land, on both sides of the said river, with the lakes, islands and islets therein, the said land commencing at the termination of the said grant made to the said Sieur Taschereau, also as a fief and seigniory; and another grant made by the same persons on the same day to the Sieur Joseph Fleury de la Gorgendière, of a like extent of land on both sides of the said river, together with the lakes, islands and islets, the said grant to commence at the boundary of the one granted to the said Sieur Rigaud de Vaudreuil, also as a fief and seigniory; His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant, and it is his pleasure that the said Sieur Taschereau, Rigaud de Vaudreuil and Fleury de la Gorgendière, their heirs and assigns, shall enjoy the said lands forever as their own property as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said seigniories according to and in conformity with the said grants, without being required, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to whatever sum they may amount, on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fiefs will be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; that the appeals from the Judges who shall be established at the said places shall lie before the Royal Jurisdiction of Quebec; on the condition also that they shall preserve and cause their tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's ships; that they shall disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places and minerals, if any there be in the said seigniories; that they shall improve the said seigniories, and keep and cause their tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof they shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that they shall leave the necessary roads for the public use, and also jointly and severally make a continuous high road for vehicles from the River St. Lawrence through the lands belonging to the heirs Charest and to the heirs Joliet, to a place opposite the said Isles au Sapin, and have bridges built at the places where they may be found necessary for the convenience of the inhabitants who may wish to establish themselves both throughout those grants and in those which may be made above them, the whole as stated in the titles of concession transmitted to the said Sieurs Taschereau, Rigaud de Vaudreuil and Fleury de la Gorgendière; on condition also that they shall leave

the beaches to all fishermen, except such part thereof as they may require for their own fisheries. And in case His Majesty should hereafter require any part of the said lands for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public buildings, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor. Subject also to the other charges, clauses and conditions contained in the titles of concession granted to them. And in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, I am commanded by him to issue the present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the Office of the Superior Council at Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when requisite; His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and to have them countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) " LOUIS,"

And lower down, " " PHELYPEAUX,"

With a flourish.

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*Ratification of a grant on Lake Champlain (La Manaudière) granted to the Sieur Pierre Raimbault.*

Dated 30th April, 1737.

Extract from the register Ins, Sup, Coun., Letter H, folio 48,

This thirtieth day of April, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-seven, the King being at Versailles, and taking into his consideration the Petition presented to him by the Sr. Pierre Raimbault, Lieutenant General of the Royal Jurisdiction of Montreal, to the effect that His Majesty would be pleased to ratify a grant made to him on the eighth of October of last year, by the Marquis de Beauharnois, Governor and Lieutenant General of New France, and the Sr. Hocquart, Intendant of the said country, of an extent of land of four leagues in front, by five leagues in depth on the east side of Lake Champlain; the said four leagues to commence at the boundary of the Seigniory granted to the Sieur Laperrière, on the sixth of July, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-four, going down the Lake, within which is included the river called *à la Moëlle* with the adjacent islands, islets and shoals; the whole as a fief and seigniory, under the name of Moineaudière, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the whole extent of the said grant and in front of the same, His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant, and it is therefore his pleasure that the said Sieur Raimbault, his heirs and assigns, do enjoy the said lands for ever as their own property, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the whole extent of the said seigniory, according to and in conformity with the said grant, without being required, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to him, to whatever sum they may amount, on condition also that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris, followed in the said country; that the appeals from the Judges who shall be established at the said place, shall lie before the Royal Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition also that they shall preserve and cause their tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's ships; that they shall disclose to His Majesty or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places, or minerals, if any there be in the said seigniory; that they shall improve it, and keep and cause their tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof, it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain, that they shall leave the necessary roads for the public

use, and also leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as they shall require for their own fisheries, and in case His Majesty should hereafter require any part of the said lands, for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works thereon, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor; His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above set forth, without any exception whatever, on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, I am commanded by him to issue these Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the Office of the Superior Council of Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when requisite; His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and to have them countersigned by me his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) " LOUIS,"

And lower down, " " PHELYPEAUX,"

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*Ratification of a grant in favor of the Parties interested in the Company of the St. Maurice Forges.*

Dated the 13th April, 1740.

Extract from the register. Ins. Sup. Coun., letter H. folio 57.

This thirteenth day of April, one thousand seven hundred and forty, the King being at Versailles, and taking into his consideration the petition presented to him by the parties interested in the Company of the iron forges, of Canada, established at St. Maurice, to the effect that His Majesty would be pleased to confirm and ratify a grant made to them on the twelfth of September, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-seven, by the Marquis de Beauharnois, Governor and Lieutenant General in New France, and the Sieur Hocquart, Intendant of the said country, of the *fief* of St. Etienne, which was reunited to His Majesty's domain by an order of the sixth of April of the preceding year, and of the land extending from the said fief of Saint Etienne, the front whereof commences at the river of Three Rivers and ascends one league above the Sault de la Gabelle heretofore called the Sault de la Vérandrie, by two leagues in depth; the said fief of St. Etienne, together with the lands situate above it, to be united to and incorporated with the fief of St. Maurice, belonging to the said parties, having acquired the same from the heirs Poulin, and to form one and the same seigniory; to hold to the said parties as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction. His Majesty hath confirmed and ratified the said grant, his pleasure being that the said interested parties, their successors and assigns, shall enjoy the same forever as their own property, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting and fishing only within the extent of the said grant, without its being requisite, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any money or indemnity, His Majesty being pleased to remit the same, to whatever sum they may amount, on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country, and in like manner as the said parties enjoy the fief of St. Maurice; that the appeals from the Judge who shall be established there, shall lie before the Royal Jurisdiction of Three Rivers; on the condition also that they shall disclose to His Majesty or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places and minerals, if any there

be in the said grants, with the exception of the mines of iron, the privilege whereof has been granted to the said parties; that they shall leave the necessary roads for public use; and in case His Majesty should hereafter require any parts of the said land, for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works thereon, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works, and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor; His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above set forth, without any exception whatever, on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, I am commanded by him to issue the present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the office of the Superior Council at Quebec, in order that recourse may be thereto had when requisite. His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and to have them countersigned by me his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

Registered, upon hearing the King's Attorney General, pursuant to the decree of this day, by us the undersigned Councillor, Secretary to the King, Chief Clerk to the said Council, at Quebec, the twenty-first of November, 1740.

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*Ratification of the grant of the Fief St. Etienne on the River of the Sault de la Chaudière, in favor of the Sieur Etienne François Cugnet.*

Dated the 13th April, 1740.

Extract from the register, Ins. Sup. Coun. Letter H. folio 58.

This thirteenth day of April, one thousand seven hundred and forty, the King being at Versailles, and taking into his consideration the petition presented to him by the Sieur Etienne François Cugnet, first Councillor of the Superior Council of Quebec, to the effect that His Majesty would be pleased to ratify and confirm the grant made to him on the fifteenth of April, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-seven, by the Marquis de Beauharnois, Governor and Lieutenant General of New France, and the Sieur Michel, Commissioner of Marine in the said country, the Sieur Hocquart, the Intendant, being absent, of an extent of land remaining to be conceded opposite the seigniory belonging to the heirs Joliet, on the south west side of the River of the Sault de la Chaudière, commencing at the end of the depth of the seigniory of Lauzon and extending to the one lately conceded to the Sieur Taschereau, containing about three leagues front on the south west side of the said river of the Sault de la Chaudière, by two leagues in depth, together with the islands and islets, in the said river, on the south west side thereof as they may be situate, within the said extent of land and opposite the same, together with the lakes that may be upon the said lands, the whole as a fief and seigniory; His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant, his pleasure being that the said Sieur Cugnet, his heirs or assigns, shall enjoy the same forever as their own property, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of fishing, hunting and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said grant, without being bound, by reason thereof to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to them, on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; that the appeals from the Judges who shall be established there shall lie before the jurisdiction of the Prevosté of Quebec;

now the proprietor, to form but one and the same grant, as a fief and seigniory. His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant, and it is his will and pleasure that the said Sieur Du Sablé, his heirs or assigns, shall enjoy the said lands forever, as their own property, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, and the rights of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said seignory, according to and in conformity with the said grant, without being bound, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same, to whatever sum they may amount, on condition that he shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues, according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country, and that the appeals from the Judge who shall be established there shall lie before the Royal Jurisdiction of Montreal; on condition also that he shall preserve and cause his tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's ships; that he shall disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places and minerals, if any there be in the said seigniory; that he shall improve it, and keep and cause his tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof, it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that he shall leave the necessary roads for the public use, and also leave the beaches free to all fisherman, except such parts thereof as he shall require for his own fisheries; and in case His Majesty should hereafter require any parts of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines, and other public works thereon, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor; His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above set forth, without any exception whatever on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant; and in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, I am commanded by him to issue these Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the office of the Superior Council at Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when requisite; His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and to have them countersigned by me, His Councillor Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) "LOUIS."

And lower down, " "PHELYPEAUX."

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*Ratification of a grant on Lake Champlain in favor of the Sieur Joseph Rocbert.*

Dated the 13th April, 1740.

Extract from the register ins Sup. Coun. Letter H. folio 75.

This thirteenth day of April, one thousand seven hundred and forty, the King being at Versailles, and taking into his consideration the demand made to him by the Sieur Joseph Rocbert, Store-keeper at Quebec, to the effect that His Majesty would be pleased to confirm and ratify a grant made to him on the thirteenth of June, 1737, by the Marquis de Beauharnois, Governor and Lieutenant General of New France, and the Sieur Michel, Commissary of Marine in the said country, in the absence of the Sieur Hocquart, the Intendant, of an extent of three leagues in front by two leagues in depth, on the west side of Lake Champlain, to comprise half a league *below the* River Banquet, and to ascend two leagues and a half above the said

river, terminating close to the Rocher Fendu, together with the islands and islets which may be adjacent to the said land, the whole as a fief and seignory; His Majesty hath confirmed and ratified the said grant, his pleasure being that the said Sieur Rocbert, his heirs or assigns, shall enjoy the said lands forever as their own property, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, and the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said seigniory, according to and in conformity with the said grant, without being required, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to him to whatever sum they may amount; on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues, according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; that the appeals from the Judge who shall be established at the said place shall lie before the Royal Jurisdiction of Montreal; on condition also that they shall preserve and cause their tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's ships; that they shall disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places and minerals if any there be in the said seigniory, that they shall improve it and keep and cause their tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that they shall leave the necessary roads for the public use, and also leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as they shall require for their own fisheries; and in case His Majesty should hereafter require any parts of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor; His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above set forth, without any exception whatever on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, I am commanded by him to issue the present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the office of the Superior Council at Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when requisite, His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and to have them countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed) LOUIS.

And lower down, " PHELIPEAUX.

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*Ratification of the grant of the Fief Gaspé, in the rear of the Seignory of Tilly, in favor of Dame Angélique LeGardeur, widow of the Sieur Aubert de Gaspé.*

Dated the 16th April, 1741.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun., Letter H, folio 88.

This sixteenth day of April, one thousand seven hundred and forty-one, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify a grant made on the twenty-fifth of March, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-eight, by the Marquis of Beauharnois, Governor and Lieutenant General of New France, and the Sieur Hocquart, Intendant of the said country, to Dame Angélique LeGardeur, widow of the Sieur Aubert De Gaspé, of an extent of land containing one league and a half, behind the Seignory of Tilly, belonging to the heirs of the late Sieur LeGardeur, her father, the front whereof commences at the end of the depth and limits of the said seigniory of Tilly, ad-

joining, on one side, the Seigniory of Lauzon, and on the other, the one granted to Miss LeGardeur, her sister, by a concession dated the fourth of January, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-seven, and at the back, by the unconceded lands, to be held by her as a fief and seigniory, His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant, his pleasure being that the said Dame Angélique LeGardeur, widow Gaspé, her heirs or assigns, shall for ever enjoy the said land as their own property, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said seigniory, according to and in conformity with the said grant, without being bound, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to them, to whatever sum they may amount; on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief will be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country, that the appeals from the Judge who shall be established there shall lie before the Prévosté of Quebec; on the condition also, that they shall preserve and cause their tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's ships; that they shall disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be in the said seigniory; that they shall improve it, and keep and cause their tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that they shall leave the necessary roads for the public, and also leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as they shall require for their own fisheries; and in case His Majesty should hereafter require any part of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor, His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above set forth, without any exception whatever, on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And, in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, I am commanded by him to issue the present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the Office of the Superior Council at Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when requisite, His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and to have them countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) "LOUIS."

And lower down, " "PHELIPPEAUX."

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*Ratification of a grant in Augmentation, in favor of Miss Charlotte LeGardeur, adjoining the Seigniory Sainte Croix.*

16th April, 1741.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun., Letter H, folio 61.

This sixteenth day of April, one thousand seven hundred and forty-one, the King being at Versailles, and taking into his consideration the petition presented to him by Miss Charlotte LeGardeur, daughter of the late Sieur LeGardeur, Captain of a company of the troops kept up in Canada, to the effect that His Majesty would be pleased to confirm and ratify a grant made to her on the twenty-sixth of March, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-eight, by the Marquis de Beauharnois, His Majesty's Governor and Lieutenant

General in New France, and the Sieur Hocquart, Intendant of the said country, of an extent of land of about seventy-four arpents in front, which is unconceded and lies enclosed between the grant made to her on the fourth of January, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-seven, and the Seigniory of Sainte Croix, adjoining in front the Fiefs of Bonsecours and Amiot, and in rear the unconceded lands, by one league and sixty arpents in depth, the said land to be joined to the said grant of the fourth of January, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-seven, and to form one and the same seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, and the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said seigniory, according to and in conformity with the said grant, without being required, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to them to whatever sum they may amount; on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held and on payment of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country, and that the appeals from the Judge who shall be established there shall lie before the Prévosté of Quebec; on the condition also, that they shall preserve and cause their tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's ships; that they shall disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places and minerals, if any there be in the said seigniory; that they shall improve it and keep and cause their tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that they shall leave the neeessary roads for the public use, and also leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as they shall require for their own fisheries; and, in case His Majesty should hereafter require any parts of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor, His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above set forth, without any exception whatever, on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And, in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, I am commanded by him to issue these Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the Office of the Superior Council at Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when requisite, His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and to have them countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) "LOUIS."

And lower down, " "PHELYPEAUX."

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*Ratification of the grant of Bourg Louis, behind the Seigniory of Neuville, in favor of the Sieur Louis Fornel.*

Dated the 27th April, 1742.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun., Letter H, folio 82.

This twenty-seventh day of April, one thousand seven hundred and forty-two, the King being at Fontainebleau, and wishing to confirm and ratify a grant made on the fourteenth of May, one thousand seven hundred and forty-one, by the Marquis de Beauharnois, Governor and Lieutenant General of New France, and the Sieur Hocquart, Intendant of the said country, to the Sieur Louis Fornel, a merchant of Quebec, of an extent of land of two

leagues or thereabouts in front, by three leagues in depth, behind the Seigniory of Neuville, the property of the Sieur Demeloise, bounded in front by the line dividing the said Seigniory of Neuville from the unconceded lands, to the north east by the prolongation of the line at the depth of the Fief of St. Augustin, to the south west by a line parallel to the preceding one, commencing also at the prolongation of the line of the Fief of Belair, and at the rear by the unconceded lands, to hold to him as a fief and seigniory, His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant, his pleasure being that the said Sieur Fornel, his heirs or assigns, shall enjoy the said lands for ever as their own property, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said seigniory, according to and in conformity with the said grant, without being required, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or the Kings his successors, any money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to him; on condition that he shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; that the appeals from the judge who shall be established there shall lie before the Prévosté of Quebec; on the condition also that he shall preserve and cause the tenants to preserve the timber fit for the construction of His Majesty's ships; that he shall disclose to His Majesty or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be in the said seigniory; that he shall improve it, and keep and cause the tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that he shall leave the necessary roads for the public use, and also leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as he shall require for his own fisheries; and, in case His Majesty should hereafter require any part of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor, His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above set forth, without any exception whatever on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And, in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, I am commanded by him to issue the present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the Office of the Superior Council at Quebec; His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and to have them countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, " PHELYPEAUX.

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*Grant and Ratification by His Majesty, of an extent of land on Lake Champlain opposite Fort St. Frederick, in favor of the Sieur Hocquart, the Intendant.*

Dated the 20th April, 1743.

Extract from the Register Ins Sup. Coun. Letter I folio 7.

This twentieth day of April, one thousand seven hundred and forty-three, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to shew favor to the Sr. Hocquart, Intendant of New France, and to give him a proof of the satisfaction which his services afford him, His Majesty hath granted to him, as a fief and seigniory, a lot of land of about one league in front, by five leagues in *depth*, situate in the said Colony, on Lake Champlain, opposite the fort St. Frederick,

bounded towards the west by the said lake, towards the east by the unconceded lands, towards the north by a line running east and west, and towards the south by a line parallel to the latter one, which two lines form the division of the lands to be conceded in *censive*, in the name of and for the benefit of His Majesty; the said land to hold to the said Sieur Hocquart, his heirs or assign forever, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said seigniory, without being required by reason thereof to pay to His Majesty, or the Kings, his sucessors, any money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to him to whatever sum they may amount, on condition that he shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; that the appeals from the Judge who shall be established there, shall lie before the Royal Jurisdiction of Montreal, on the condition also that he shall preserve and cause the tenants to preserve the timber of all kinds fit for the construction of His Majesty's ships; that he shall disclose to His Majesty the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be in the said grant; that he shall improve it, and keep and cause the tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that he shall leave the necessary roads for the public use and also leave the beaches free to all fishermen with the exception of those that he shall require for his own fisheries. And in case His Majesty should hereafter require any parts of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines, and other public works, he may take posession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works, and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor; His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above set forth, without any exception whatever; and in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure I am commanded by him to issue the present Letters Patent which shall be enregistered in the Office of the Superior Council at Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when requisite; His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and to have them countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) "LOUIS,"

And lower down, " "PHELYPEAUX."

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*Ratification of the grant made to the Sieur Estèbe of an extent of land of three leagues in depth and two leagues in front on Lake Champlain.*

Dated the 25th March 1745.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun. letter I. folio 80.

This twenty-fifth day of March one thousand seven hundred and forty-five, the King being at Versailles and wishing to confirm and ratify a grant made on the twenty-second of March one thousand seven hundred and forty-four, by the Marquis de Beauharnois, Governor and Lieutenant General of New France, and the Sr. Hocquart, Intendant of the said country, to the Sieur Estèbe, Councillor in the Superior Council of Quebec, of an extent of land of two leagues in front by three leagues in depth, bounded towards the north by a line east and west, adjoining the seigniory heretofore conceded to the Sieur de St. Vincent, the younger, in front by lake Champlain, and extending to three leagues in depth, adjoining the unconceded lands, to be held by him as a fief and seigniory, His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said

grant, His pleasure being that the said Sieur Estèbe, his heirs or assigns shall enjoy the said lands forever as their own property, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said seigniory, according to and in conformity with the said grant, without being required, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or the Kings his successors, any money or indemity, His Majesty having remitted the same to him, to whatever sum they may amout, on condition that he shall render fealty and homagé at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; that the appeals from the Judge who shall be established there shall lie before the Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition also that he shall preserve and cause the tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's vessels; that he shall disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be in the said seigniory; that he shall improve it and keep and cause the tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that he shall leave the necessary roads for the public use and also leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as he shall require for his own fisheries. And in case His Majesty should hereafter require any part of the said lands for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor; His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above set forth, without any exception whatever on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, I am commanded by him to issue the present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the Office of the Superior Council at Quebec; His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and to have them countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) " LOUIS,"

And lower down, " " PHELIPPEAUX."

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*Ratification of the grant of the fief Beaujeu on the Chambly River, in favor of the Sieur Daniel Liennard de Beaujeu, the younger.*

Dated the 25th March, 1745.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun. Letter I, folio 82.

This twenty-fifth day of March, one thousand seven hundred and forty-five, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify a grant made on the twenty-second of March, one thousand seven hundred and forty-three, by the Marquis de Beauharnois, Governor and Lieutenant General of New France, and the Sieur Hocquart, Intendant of the said country, to the Sieur Daniel Liennard de Beaujeu, the younger, lieutenant of a company of the troops of the detachment of marine stationed in this colony, of an extent of land of two leagues in front, along the Chambly river, by three leagues in depth, bounded towards the north by the seigniory of the Sieur Chaussegros De Léry and upon the same line, and towards the south by a line unning east and west, in front by the Chambly river, and at the depth of three eagues, adjoining the unconceded lands, also a small island situate above the

bounded towards the west by the said lake, towards the east by the unconceded lands, towards the north by a line running east and west, and towards the south by a line parallel to the latter one, which two lines form the division of the lands to be conceded in *censive*, in the name of and for the benefit of His Majesty; the said land to hold to the said Sieur Hocquart, his heirs or assign forever, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said seigniory, without being required by reason thereof to pay to His Majesty, or the Kings, his sucessors, any money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to him to whatever sum they may amount, on condition that he shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; that the appeals from the Judge who shall be established there, shall lie before the Royal Jurisdiction of Montreal, on the condition also that he shall preserve and cause the tenants to preserve the timber of all kinds fit for the construction of His Majesty's ships; that he shall disclose to His Majesty the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be in the said grant; that he shall improve it, and keep and cause the tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that he shall leave the necessary roads for the public use and also leave the beaches free to all fishermen with the exception of those that he shall require for his own fisheries. And in case His Majesty should hereafter require any parts of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines, and other public works, he may take posession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works, and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor; His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above set forth, without any exception whatever; and in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure I am commanded by him to issue the present Letters Patent which shall be enregistered in the Office of the Superior Council at Quebec, in order that recourse may be had thereto when requisite; His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and to have them countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) "LOUIS,"

And lower down, " "PHELYPEAUX."

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*Ratification of the grant made to the Sieur Estèbe of an extent of land of three leagues in depth and two leagues in front on Lake Champlain.*

Dated the 25th March 1745.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun. letter I. folio 80.

This twenty-fifth day of March one thousand seven hundred and forty-five, the King being at Versailles and wishing to confirm and ratify a grant made on the twenty-second of March one thousand seven hundred and forty-four, by the Marquis de Beauharnois, Governor and Lieutenant General of New France, and the Sr. Hocquart, Intendant of the said country, to the Sieur Estèbe, Councillor in the Superior Council of Quebec, of an extent of land of two leagues in front by three leagues in depth, bounded towards the north by a line east and west, adjoining the seigniory heretofore conceded to the Sieur de St. Vincent, the younger, in front by lake Champlain, and extending to three leagues in depth, adjoining the unconceded lands, to be held by him as a fief and seigniory, His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said

the unconceded lands, to hold to him as a fief and seigniory, His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant, which however it is his intention shall form one and the same seigniory with the half of the seigniory of LaDurantaye, of which the said Sieur Péan is proprietor, by virtue of the adjudication made to him thereof by a judgment of the Prévosté of Quebec, dated the fourteenth August, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-six; His Majesty's pleasure being that the said Sieur Péan de Livaudière, his heirs or assigns shall enjoy the said lands, as their own property, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading without the Indians throughout the extent of the said seigniory, according to and in conformity with the said grant, without being required, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any money or indemnity, His Majesty being pleased to remit the same to whatever sum they may amount, on condition that he shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held and on payment of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; that the appeals from the Judge who shall be established there shall lie before the Prévosté of Quebec; on the condition also that he shall cause the tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's vessels; that he shall disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be in the said seigniory; that he shall improve it and keep and cause the tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that he shall leave the necessary roads for the public use, and also leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as he shall require for his own fisheries. And in case His Majesty should hereafter require any part of the said lands for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor; His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above set forth, without any exception whatever on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, I am commanded by him to issue the present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the office of the Superior Council of Quebec, His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same and to have them countersigned by me, His Councillor, Secretary of State, and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed) LOUIS.

And lower down, " PHELIPPEAUX.

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*Ratification and augmentation of a Seigniory on the Chambly River, extending as far as the Bay of Missisquoy, in favor of the Sieur Foucault.*

Dated the 25th March, 1745.

Extract from the French Register of Enregistration Letter D, page 145.

This twenty-fifth day of March, one thousand seven hundred and forty-five, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify a grant made on the first of May, one thousand seven hundred and forty-three by the Marquis of Beauharnois, Governor and Lieutenant General of New France, and the Sr. Hocquart, Intendant of the said country, to the Sieur Foucault, Councillor of the Superior Council of Quebec, Principal *Clerk of Marine*, doing duty in the said colony, of an extent of land of two leagues

Isles aux Têtes, to hold to him as a fief and seigniory, His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant, his pleasure being that the said Sieur de Beaujeu, the younger, his heirs or assigns shall enjoy the said lands forever as their own property, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said seigniory, according to and in conformity with the said grant, without being requisite, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty or to the Kings his successors, any money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to him, to whatever sum they may amount, on condition that he shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris, followed in the said country; that the appeals from the Judge who shall be established at the said place, shall lie before the Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition also that he shall preserve and cause the tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's ships; that he shall disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be in the said seigniory; that he shall improve it, and keep and cause the tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof, it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that he shall leave the necessary roads for the public use and also leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as he shall require for his own fisheries. And in case His Majesty should hereafter require any portion of the said land, for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor; His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above set forth, without any exception on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, I am commanded by him to issue the present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the office of the Superior Council at Quebec; His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same and to have them countersigned by me, His Councillor, Secretary of State, and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.
" PHELIPPEAUX.

And lower down,

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*Ratification of the grant of the Fief of Livaudière, at the termination of the Seigniory of Vincennes, in favor of the Sieur Péan de Livaudière.*

Dated 25th March, 1745.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun., Letter I, folio 85.

This twenty-fifth day March, one thousand seven hundred and forty-five, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify a grant made on the twentieth of September, one thousand seven hundred and forty-four, by the Marquis de Beauharnois, Governor and Lieutenant General of New France, and the Sieur Hocquart, Intendant of the said country, to the Sieur Péan de Livaudière, Major of the town and Castle of Quebec, of an extent of land of three quarters of a league in front, or thereabouts, by three leagues in depth, bounded in front by the termination of the depth of the seigniory of Vincennes, on one side to the north east by the line of the Seigniory of Beaumont, on the other side to the south west by the Seigniory of Montapeine, and in rear by

land in the said colony, of three leagues in front, on Lake Champlain, commencing at the boundary of the land already granted to him by Letters Patent, dated the twentieth of April, one thousand seven hundred and forty-three, extending towards the north, by the same depth of five leagues, which was given to the said extent of land, in order that the whole should form one and the same seigniory; the said two lots of land to be forever enjoyed by the said Sieur Hocquart, his heirs or assigns, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said seigniory, without being required by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or the Kings his successors, any money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to him, on condition that he shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; that the appeals from the Judge who shall be established there shall lie before the Royal Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition also that he shall preserve and cause the tenants to preserve the timber of all kinds which may be fit for the construction of His Majesty's ships; that he shall disclose to His Majesty the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be in the said grant; that he shall improve it, and keep and cause the tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that he shall leave the necessary roads for the public use, and also leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as he shall require for his own fisheries; and in case His Majesty should hereafter require any parts of the said lands for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor; His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above set forth without any exception whatever. And in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, I am commanded by him to issue these Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the Office of the Superior Council of Quebec, His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and to have them countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed), " LOUIS,"

And lower down, " " PHELIPEAUX."

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*Ratification of the grant made to the Sieur Nicholas René Levasseur, on the River Missiskouy, Lake Champlain.*

Dated the 30th April, 1749.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun., letter I, folio 74.

This thirtieth day of April, one thousand seven hundred and forty-nine, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify a grant made on the twenty-third of September, one thousand seven hundred and forty-eight, by the Marquis de la Galissonnière, Commandant General of New France, and the Sieur Bigot, Intendant of the said country, to the Sieur Nicolas René Levasseur, His Majesty's ship-builder in Canada, of an extent of land comprising six leagues in front, along the River of Missiskoui, on Lake Champlain, by three leagues in depth on each side of the said river, the said six leagues in front to commence eight arpents below the first fall, which is situate three leagues back from the said river, ascending along its course, to hold to him

in front on the Chambly River, by the depth that there may be to the Bay of Missisquoy, also an augmentation of one league in front, by a like depth, commencing at the termination of the said two leagues ascending along the said Chambly River; the said three leagues of land bounded towards the north by the boundary placed by Janvrin, a sworn surveyor, according to his *procès verbal*, dated fourteenth of June, one thousand seven hundred and thirty-seven, in front by the said Chambly River, towards the south and in depth by two parallel lines running east and west to the Bay of Missiskouy, the said two lines joining the unconceded lands, to hold to him as a fief and seigniory, His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant, his pleasure being that the said Sieur Foucault, his heirs or assigns, shall forever enjoy the said lands as their own property, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said seigniory according to and in conformity with the said grant, without being required by reason thereof, to pay His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to him to whatever sum they may amount, on condition that he shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; that the appeals from the Judge who shall be established there shall lie before the Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition also that he shall preserve and cause the tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's ships; that he shall disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be in the said seigniory; that he shall improve it and keep and cause the tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty domain; that he shall leave the necessary roads for the public use, and also leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as he shall require for his own fisheries. And in case His Majesty should hereafter require any part of the said land, for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor; His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above set forth, without any exception on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, I am commanded by him to issue these Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the office of the Superior Council of Quebec, His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and to have them countersigned by me, His Councillor, Secretary of State, and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed) LOUIS.
" PHELIPPEAUX.

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*Augmentation granted by His Majesty to the grant made to the Sieur Hocquart, Intendant, bearing date the 20th April,* 1743.

Dated the 1st April, 1745.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun. Letter I, folio 34.

This first day of April, one thousand seven hundred and forty-five, the King being at Versailles, and being desirous of shewing favor to the Sieur Hocquart, Intendant of New France, and to give him a new mark of the satisfaction he feels for the services rendered to him by the Sieur Hocquart, His Majesty hath granted him as a fief and Seigniory, an extent of

and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said seigniory, according to and in conformity with the said grant, without being required, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to him; on condition that he shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held and on payment of the dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; that the appeals from the Judge who shall be established there shall lie before the Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition also, that he shall preserve and cause the tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's ships; that he shall disclose to His Majesty or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be in the said seigniory; that he shall improve it, and keep and cause the tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that he shall leave the necessary roads for the public use, and also leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as he shall require for his own fisheries; and, in case His Majesty should hereafter require any parts of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor, His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above set forth, without any exception, on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And, in testimony of his will, I am commanded by him to issue the present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the Office of the Superior Council at Quebec, His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and to have them countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, " ROUILLÉ.

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*Ratification of the grant of La Grande Isle, in Lake Champlain, to the Sieur Daine.*

Dated the 31st May, 1750.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun., letter I, folio 89.

This thirty-first day of May, one thousand seven hundred and fifty, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify a grant made on the first of November, one thousand seven hundred and forty-nine, by the Marquis de la Jonquière, Governor and Lieutenant General of New France, and the Sieur Bigot, Intendant of the said country, to the Sieur Daine, Lieutenant General of the Prévosté of Quebec, of an island in Lake Champlain, commonly called "*La Grande Isle*," with the islands, islets and shoals adjacent thereto, to hold to him as a fief and seigniory, His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant, his pleasure being that the said Sieur Daine, his heirs or assigns, shall forever enjoy the said island as their own property, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said seigniory, according to and in conformity with the said grant, without being bound, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to him to whatever sum they may amount; on condition that he shall render fealty and ho-

mage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; that the appeals from the Judge who shall be established there shall lie before the Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition also, that he shall preserve and cause the tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's ships; that he shall disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be in the said seigniory; that he shall improve it, and keep and cause the tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that he shall leave the necessary roads for the public use, and also leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as he shall require for his own fisheries; and, in case His Majesty should hereafter require any parts of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor, His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above set forth, without any reserve whatever, on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And, in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, I am commanded by him to issue the present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the Office of the Superior Council at Quebec, His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and to have them countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, " ROUILLÉ.

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*Ratification of an Augmentation to the Fief Gatineau, in favor of Miss Joseph Gatineau Duplessis.*

Dated 24th June, 1750.

Extract from the French register of enregistrations, letter E, page 168.

This twenty-fourth day of June, one thousand seven hundred and fifty, by the Marquis of la Joncquière, Governor and Lieutenant General of New France, and the Sieur Bigot, Intendant of the said country, having granted to Miss Joseph Gatineau Duplessis, an extent of land of four leagues in depth, at the back of the seigniory called the Fief Gatineau, situate at Lake St. Peter, originally granted at the Sieur Gatineau, her father, His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant, his pleasure being that the said Miss Gatineau, her heirs or assigns, shall enjoy the said land for ever as their own property, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the extent of the said grant, according to and in conformity with the grant made to her of the same, without being required, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to her to whatever sum they may amount; on condition that she shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; that the appeals from the Judge who shall be established there shall lie before the Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition also, that she shall preserve and cause her tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's ships; that she shall disclose to His Majesty or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places or minerals,

if any there be in the said grant; that she shall improve it, and keep and cause her tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that she shall leave the necessary roads for the public use, and also leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as the said Miss Duplessis may require for her own fisheries; and, in case His Majesty should hereafter require any part of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor; His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above set forth, without any exception whatever, on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And, in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, I am commanded by him to issue these Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the Office of the Superior Council at Quebec, His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and to have them countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.
(Countersigned,) ROUILLE.

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*Ratification of the grant of the Sault Ste. Marie, in favor of the Sieurs DeBonne and DeRepentigny.*

Dated the 24th June, 1751.

Extract from the French register of enregistrations, letter E, page 164.

This twenty-fourth day of June, one thousand seven hundred and fifty-one, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify a grant made on the eighteenth of October, one thousand seven hundred and fifty, by the Marquis de la Jonquière, Governor and Lieutenant General of New France, and the Sieur Bigot, Intendant of the said country, to the Sieur DeBonne, retired Captain of the Regiment of Infantry of Condé, and to the Chevalier DeRepentigny, ensign in the troops stationed in Canada, of the place called Le Sault Ste. Marie, with six leagues in front on the Portage, by six leagues in depth, along the border of the river separating the two lakes, His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant, his pleasure being that the said Sieurs Bonne and Repentigny, their heirs or assigns, shall enjoy the said land for ever as their own property, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting and fishing only throughout the extent of the said grant, according to and in conformity with the grant thereof made to them; without being required, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to them; on condition that they shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; that the appeals from the Judge who shall be established there shall lie before the Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition also, that they shall preserve and cause their tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's ships; that they shall disclose to His Majesty or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be in the said grant; that they shall improve it, and keep and cause their tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that they shall leave the necessary roads for the public use, and also leave the beaches free to all fishermen; except

such parts thereof as the said Sieurs DeBonne and Repentigny may require for their own fisheries; and, in case His Majesty should hereafter require any parts of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which be necessary for the said public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor, His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above set forth, without any exception, on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And, in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure I am commanded by him to issue the present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the Office of the Superior Council at Quebec, His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and to have them countersigned by me, his Coun cillor, Secretary of State, and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.
(Countersigned,) ROUILLE.

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*Ratification of an Augmentation to the Seigniory of Rivière Ouelle, in favor of Dame Geneviève de Ramezay, widow Boishébert.*

24th June, 1751.

Extract from the French register of enregistrations, letter B, page 566.

This twenty-fourth day of June, one thousand seven hundred and fifty-one, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to ratify and confirm a grant made on the twentieth of October, one thousand seven hundred and fifty, by the Marquis de la Jonquière, Governor and Lieutenant General in New France, and the Sieur Bigot, Intendant of the said country, to Dame Geneviève de Ramezay, widow of the Sieur de Boishébert, Captain of Infantry in Canada, of an extent of land of two leagues in front by two leagues in depth, commencing at the termination of the old grant granted to the Sieur de la Bouteillerye, on the twenty-ninth of October, one thousand six hundred and seventy-two, by the Sieur Talon, at that time Intendant of the said country, of two leagues in front by two leagues in depth at the place called Rivière Hoüelle, and which was afterwards acquired by the late Sieur de Boishébert, His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant, his pleasure being that the said widow Boishébert, her heirs or assigns, shall enjoy the said land for ever, in order that with the old grant it may form one and the same seigniory, as a fief, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the whole extent of the said grant, without being required, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or the Kings his successors, any money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to her to whatever sum they may amount; on condition that she shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; that the appeals from the Judge who shall be established there shall lie before the Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition also, that she shall preserve and cause the tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's ships; that she shall disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be in the said grant; that she shall improve it, and keep and cause the tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that she shall leave the necessary roads for the public use, and also leave the beaches free to all fishmen, except such part thereof as the said Dame de Boishébert shall require for her own fisheries; and, in case His

Majesty should hereafter require any part of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor, His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the grants above set forth, without any exception, on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And, in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, I am commanded by him to issue the present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the Superior Council at Quebec, His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and to have them countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.
(Countersigned,) ROUILLE.

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*Ratification of the grant of the Fief La Naudière, at the end of the Fief Carufel, in favor of the Sieur De La Naudière.*

Dated 24th June, 1751.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun., letter I, folio 88.

This twenty-fourth day of June, one thousand seven hundred and fifty-one, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify a grant made on the first of March, one thousand seven hundred and fifty, by the Marquis de la Jonquière, Governor and Lieutenant General of New France, and the Sieur Bigot, Intendant of the said country, to the Sieur de la Naudière, Captain of Infantry, of an extent of land of two leagues or thereabouts in front, commencing at the end of the depth of the Fief of Carufel, extending to the depth that there may be between that and the lake called Masquinongé, the whole of the said lake being comprised therein, with the islands, islets and shoals that may be in it, His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant, his pleasure being that the said Sieur la Naudière, his heirs or assigns, shall enjoy the said land for ever as their own property, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the whole extent of the said grant, according to and in conformity with the grant of the same made to him, without being required, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to him to whatever sum they may amount; on condition that he shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; that the appeals from the Judge who shall be established at the said place shall lie before the Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition also, that he shall preserve and cause the tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's ships; that he shall disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be in the said grant; that he shall improve it, and keep and cause the tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that he shall leave the necessary roads for the public use, and also leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except those which the said Sieur la Naudière may require for his own fisheries; and, in case His Majesty should hereafter require any parts of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works thereon, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for

the said public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor, His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above set forth, without any exception whatever, on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And, in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, I am commanded by him to issue the present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the Office of the Superior Council at Quebec, His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and to have them countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, " ROUILLE.

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*Ratification of the grant of the fief St. Gervais, united to St. Michel de la Durantaye and Livaudière, in favor of the Sieur Péan.*

Dated the 1st June, 1753.

Extract from the register, Ins. Sup. Coun. Letter I, folio 94.

This first day of June, one thousand seven hundred and fifty-three, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify a grant made on the twentieth of September, one thousand seven hundred and fifty-two, by the Marquis Du Quesne, Governor and Lieutenant General of New France, and the Sieur Bigot, Intendant of the said Country, to the Sieur Péan, Captain of Infantry, Staff Major of Quebec, of a lot of unconceded land in the rear of the seigniory of Beaumont, enclosed between the lines of the seigniory of St. Michel to the north east, and that of Livandière to the south west, comprising two leagues in front by one league only in depth, which said league in depth joins the division line of the depths of the said seigniories of St. Michel and Livaudière, and also four leagues and a quarter in front or thereabouts, by three leagues in depth, commencing at the termination of the depths of the seigniory of St. Michel, of the two leagues above granted, and of the seigniory of Livaudière, which said extent of land of four leagues and a quarter, or thereabouts in front, shall be bounded in front, by the division lines at the depth of Saint Michel, of the two leagues above granted and of Livaudière, at the back by a straight and parallel line joining the unconceded lands, to the north east by the continuation of the division line of the Seigniories of St. Vallier and St. Michel, and to the south west, also by the continuation of the division line between the Seigniory of Livaudière and the one lately conceded to the Sieur La Martinière; which said extent of land of two leagues in front, by one in depth, and of four leagues and a quarter in front by three leagues in depth, as above described, shall, with the Seigniories of St. Michel and of Livaudière, the property of the said Sieur Péan, form but one and the same seigniory. His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant, his pleasure being that the said Sieur Péan, his heirs and assigns, shall enjoy the said land forever as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the whole extent of the said grant, according to and in conformity with the title thereof granted to him by the said Sieurs Du Quesne and Bigot, without being required, by reason thereof to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to him, to whatever sum they may amount, on condition that he shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held and on payment of the other dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; that the appeals from the Judge who shall be established there, shall lie before the

Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition also that he shall preserve and cause the tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's ships; that he shall disclose to His Majesty or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be in the said grant; that he shall improve it and keep and cause the tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that he shall leave the necessary roads for the public use and also leave the beaches free, except such parts thereof as the said Sieur Péan may require for his own fisheries. And in case His Majesty should hereafter require any portions of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works, and for firewood for the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor, His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grants shall be subject to the conditions above set forth without any exception whatever, on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure I am commanded by him to issue the present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the office of the Superior Council at Quebec, His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and to have them countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.
And lower down, " RÓUILLE.

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*Ratification of the grant of the Rivière Chazy, on Lake Champlain, in favor the Sieur Bedout.*

Dated 1st June, 1753.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Couns. Letter K, folio I.

This first day of June, one thousand seven hundred and fifty-three, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify a grant made on the first of November, one thousand seven hundred and fifty-two, by the Marquis Du Quesne, Governor and Lieutenant General of New France, and the Sieur Bigot, Intendant of the said country, to the Sieur Bedout, Councillor of the Superior Council of Quebec, of an extent of land of two leagues or two leagues and a half in front, by three leagues in depth along the River Chambly and Lake Champlain, with the River Chazy included therein, the front of the said land to commence at the boundary of the Seignory lately granted to the Sieur Beaujeu, extending one league above the mouth of the River Chazy, with that portion of the River Chazy comprised within the said extent of land, which shall be bounded on the north and south sides, by two lines running east and west, in front by the Chambly River and by Lake Champlain, and at the depth of three leagues, adjoining the unconceded lands, by a line running north and south parallel to the one to be drawn across the mouth of the River Chazy; together also with the Island called Lamotte, in Lake Champlain opposite the said land, which grant was heretofore to the late Sieur Péan, Major of Quebec, and was reunited to His Majesty's domain by virtue of an ordinance of the Sieur Beauharnois, Governor and Lieutenant General of New France, and of the Sieur Hocquart, Intendant of the said country, bearing date the tenth of May, one thousand seven hundred and forty-one; His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant, His pleasure being that the Sieur Bedout, his heirs or assigns, shall enjoy the said land forever as their own property, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting,

fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the whole extent of the said grant, according to and in conformity with the grant made to him thereof, without being required, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to him, to whatever sum they may amount, on condition that he shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other rights and dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; that the appeals from the Judge who shall be established there shall lie before the Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition also that he shall preserve and cause the tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's ships; that he shall disclose to His Majesty or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be within the said grant, that he shall improve it and keep and cause the tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's Domain; that he shall leave the King's highways free, together with the others which may be necessary for the public use, and cause like conditions to be inserted in the concessions he may grant to his tenants, subject to the payment of the customary *cens*, *rentes* and dues for each *arpent* of land in front, by forty in depth; also that he shall leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as the Sieur Bédout may require for his own fisheries. And in case His Majesty should hereafter require any portions of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor; His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above set forth without any exception, on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And in testimony of his will and pleasure, His Majesty hath commanded me to issue the present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the office of the Superior Council of Quebec, His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same and to have them countersigned by me, His Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS,

And lower down, " ROUILLE.

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*Ratification of the Augmentation of the Seigniory of Mille Isle, in favor of the Sieur Dumont.*

Dated the 1st June, 1753.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Conn., letter K, folio 2.

This first day of June, one thousand seven hundred and fifty-three, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify a grant made on the twentieth of January, one thousand seven hundred and fifty-two, by the Marquis de la Jonquière, Governor and Lieutenant General of New France, and the Sieur Bigot, Intendant of the said country, to the Sieur Dumont, a retired Captain of the troops of the Colony, of an extent of land of two leagues and a half or thereabouts in front, by three leagues in depth, commencing at the end of the depth and on the same front as the grant made by the Marquis de Vaudreuil and the Sieur Begon, to the Sieurs Langloiserie and Petit, on the fifth of March, one thousand seven hundred and fourteen, the said first grant to commence at and be bounded by the end of the grant belonging to the Sieur Daulier Deslandes, on the River Jésus, extending to the River Duchesne inclusive, which forms a front

of four leagues and a half by a depth of three leagues, His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant, his pleasure being that the Sieur Dumont, his heirs or assigns, shall for ever enjoy the said land as their own property, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the whole extent of the said grant, according to and in conformity with the grant made thereof, without being required, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to him to whatever sum they may amount; on condition that he shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other rights and dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; that the appeals from the Judge who shall be established there shall lie before the Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition also, that he shall preserve and cause the tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's ships; that he shall disclose to His Majesty or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be throughout the extent of the said grant; that he shall improve it, and keep and cause the tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that he shall leave the King's highways free, and such others as may be necessary for the public use, and that they shall cause like conditions to be inserted in the concessions which they may grant to his tenants, subject to the customary *cens*, *rentes* and dues for each *arpent* of land in front, by forty *arpents* in depth; and also, that he shall leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such as the Sieur Dumont may require for his own fisheries; and, in case His Majesty should hereafter require any parts of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor, His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above set forth, without any exception whatever, on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And, in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, I am commanded by him to issue the present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the Office of the Superior Council of Quebec, His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and to have them countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, " ROUILLE.

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*Ratification of a grant of a Seigniory in favor of Mons. De Beaujeu, which had been previously granted to his father.*

Dated the 1st June, 1753.

Extract from the register, Ins. Sup. Coun. Letter K, folio 6.

This first day of June, one thousand seven hundred and fifty-three, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify a grant made on Lake Champlain, on the sixth of March, one thousand seven hundred and fifty-two, by the Marquis de la Jonquière, Governor and Lieutenant General of New France, and the Sr. Bigot, Intendant of the said country, to the Sieur de Beaujeu, Captain in the troops stationed in the said colony, of an extent of two leagues in front by three leagues in depth, originally granted to the late Sieur De Beaujeu, his father, adjoining on the north-east side the grant made to the said Sieur de Beaujeu, on the *twenty-second of* March, one thousand seven hundred and forty-three; His

Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant, which is to form but one and the same seigniory with the grant made to the said Sieur De Beaujeu on the twenty-second of March, one thousand seven hundred and forty-three, his pleasure being that the said Sieur De Beaujeu, his heirs and assigns, shall enjoy the same forever as their own property, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the whole extent of the said grant according to and in conformity with the grant which was made to him thereof, without being required, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty or the Kings his successors, any money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to him, to whatever sum they may amount, on condition that he shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other rights and dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; that the appeals from the Judge who shall be established there shall lie before the Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition also that he shall preserve and cause the tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's ships; that he shall disclose to His Majesty or to the Governors and Intendants of the said country, the mines, mining places and minerals, if any there be in the said grant, that he shall improve it, and keep and cause the tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that he shall leave the King's highways free, and such others as may be deemed necessary for the public use, and that he shall cause like conditions to be inserted in the concessions he may grant to his tenants, subject to the customary *cens*, *rentes* and dues for each *arpent* of land in front by forty *arpens* in depth; also that he shall leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such of them as the Sieur De Beaujeu may require for his own fisheries. And in case His Majesty should hereafter require any parts of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor; His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above set forth without any exception, on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure I am commanded by him to issue the present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the office of the Superior Council at Quebec, His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and to have them countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, " ROUILLE.

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*Ratification of the Augmentation of the Seigniory Deschaillons, in favor of the Sieur de St. Ours Deschaillons.*

Dated the 1st June, 1753.

Extract from the register, Ins. Sup. Couns. Letter K. folio 7.

This first day of June one thousand seven hundred and fifty-three, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm a grant made on the twenty-fourth of January, one thousand seven hundred and fifty-two, by the Marquis de la Jonquière, Governor and Lieutenant General of New France, and the Sr. Bigot, Intendant of the said Country, to the Sieur de St. Ours Deschaillons, Captain in the troops of the said Colony, of an

extent of land of four leagues and a half in depth, on the front of the Rivière du Chesne, the said extent of land in depth, to commence at the end of the league and a half forming the Seigniory of the said Rivière du Chesne, of which the said Sieur Deschaillons is already the proprietor; His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant, in order that it shall form with the said Seigniory, one and the same grant, his pleasure being that the said Sieur de St. Ours d'Echaillons, his heirs and assigns, shall enjoy the same forever as their own property, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the whole extent of the said grant, according to and in conformity with the grant made to him thereof, without being bound to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any sum of money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to him, to whatever sum they may amount, on condition that he shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other rights and dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; that the appeals from the Judge who shall be established there, shall lie before the Jurisdiction of Montreal, on the condition also that he shall cause the tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's ships; that he shall disclose to His Majesty or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places and minerals, if any there be throughout the extent of the said grant; that he shall improve it and cause the tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be re-united to His Majesty's Domain; that he shall leave the King's highways free, and such other roads as may be thought necessary for the public use, and that he shall cause like clauses and conditions to be inserted in the concessions which he may grant to his tenants, subject to the customary *cens*, *rentes* and dues for each *arpent* of land in front by forty *arpents* in depth; also that he shall leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such as the said Sieur de St. Ours d'Echaillons may require for his own fisheries. And in case His Majesty should hereafter require any parts of the said land for the pupose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and for fire-wood for the garrisons of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor; His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above set forth, without any exception whatever on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, I am commanded by him to issue the present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the office of the Superior Council of Quebec; His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and to have them countersigned by me, His Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS,

And lower down, " ROUILLE.

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*Ratification of the grant of the Fief Perthuis, in the rear of the Barony of Portneuf, in favor of the Sieur Joseph Perthuis.*

Dated 1st May, 1754.

Extract from the register Ins. Sup. Coun., letter K, folio 6.

This first day of May, one thousand seven hundred and fifty-four, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify a grant made on the eleventh of October, one thousand seven hundred and fifty-three, by the Marquis Du Quesne, Governor and Lieutenant General of *New France*, and the Sieur Bigot, Intendant of the said country, to the Sieur

Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant, which is to form but one and the same seigniory with the grant made to the said Sieur De Beaujeu on the twenty-second of March, one thousand seven hundred and forty-three, his pleasure being that the said Sieur De Beaujeu, his heirs and assigns, shall enjoy the same forever as their own property, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the whole extent of the said grant according to and in conformity with the grant which was made to him thereof, without being required, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty or the Kings his successors, any money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to him, to whatever sum they may amount, on condition that he shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other rights and dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; that the appeals from the Judge who shall be established there shall lie before the Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition also that he shall preserve and cause the tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's ships; that he shall disclose to His Majesty or to the Governors and Intendants of the said country, the mines, mining places and minerals, if any there be in the said grant, that he shall improve it, and keep and cause the tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that he shall leave the King's highways free, and such others as may be deemed necessary for the public use, and that he shall cause like conditions to be inserted in the concessions he may grant to his tenants, subject to the customary *cens*, *rentes* and dues for each *arpent* of land in front by forty *arpens* in depth; also that he shall leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such of them as the Sieur De Beaujeu may require for his own fisheries. And in case His Majesty should hereafter require any parts of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works and for firewood for the garrison of the said forts, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor; His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above set forth without any exception, on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure I am commanded by him to issue the present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the office of the Superior Council at Quebec, His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and to have them countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, " ROUILLE.

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*Ratification of the Augmentation of the Seigniory Deschaillons, in favor of the Sieur de St. Ours Deschaillons.*

Dated the 1st June, 1753.

Extract from the register, Ins. Sup. Couns. Letter K. folio 7.

This first day of June one thousand seven hundred and fifty-three, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm a grant made on the twenty-fourth of January, one thousand seven hundred and fifty-two, by the Marquis de la Jonquière, Governor and Lieutenant General of New France, and the Sr. Bigot, Intendant of the said Country, to the Sieur de St. Ours Deschaillons, Captain in the troops of the said Colony, of an

Seigniory of St. Denis, on one side to the north east, at the line of the heirs of the late Sieur de St. Ours, and on the other side, to the south west, adjoining the unconceded lands, in order that the said augmentation, both in front and in depth, may form, with the said seigniory, one and the same seigniory, His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant, his pleasure being that the said Sieur de Contrecœur, his heirs or assigns, shall forever enjoy the said lands as their own property, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the whole extent of the said grant, according to and in conformity with the title thereto granted by the Sieurs de la Jonquière and Bigot, without being bound, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to him, to whatever sum they may amount; on condition that he shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; that the appeals from the Judge who shall be established there shall lie before the Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition also, that he shall preserve and cause his tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's ships; that he shall disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be in the said grant; that he shall improve it, and keep and cause the tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that he shall leave the necessary roads for the public use, and also leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as he shall require for his own fisheries; and, in case His Majesty should hereafter require any parts of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor, His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above set forth, without any exception, on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And, in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, I am commanded by him to issue the present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the Office of the Superior Council of Quebec, His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same and to have them countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, and of his Commands and Finance.

(Thus signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, ROUILLÉ.

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*Ratification of a grant behind Chateauguay and the Sault Saint Louis in favor of the Sieur Jean Bte. LeBer de Senneville.*

Dated the 1st September, 1754.

Extract from the French register of Enreg. Letter A. page 223.

This first day of September, one thousand seven hundred and fifty-four, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify a grant made on the twentieth of April, one thousand seven hundred and fifty, by the Marquis de la Jonquière, Governor and Lieutenant General of New France, and the Sieur Bigot, Intendant of the said Country, to the Sieur Jean-Baptiste LeBer de Senneville, Ensign of Infantry in the troops stationed in the said Country, of an extent of land, situate at the end of the depth of the Seigniories of the Sault Saint Louis and of Chateauguay, enclosed between the Seigniory of Ville Chauve and that of la Prairie de la Magdeleine, by a league and a half in depth, as a Fief and Seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction,

and the right of fishing, hunting and trading with the Indians; His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant; his pleasure being that the Sieur Le-Ber de Senneville, his heirs or assigns, shall enjoy the extent of land above described, for ever as their own property, as a Fief and Seigniory, with superior mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of fishing, hunting and trading with the Indians throughout the whole extent of the said grant, according to and in conformity with the title which was granted therefor by the said Sieurs de la Jonquière and Bigot, without being bound, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty or to the Kings his successors any money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to him, to whatever sum they may amount, on condition that he shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said Fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; that the appeals from the Judge who shall be established there, shall lie before the Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition also that he shall preserve and cause his tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's ships; that he shall disclose to His Majesty or to the Governor and Intendant of the said Country the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be in the said grant; that he shall improve it and keep and cause his tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be re-united to His Majesty's Domain; that he shall leave the necessary roads for the public use, and that he shall cause like conditions to be inserted in the concessions which he may grant to his tenants, subject to the payment of the customary *cens*, *rentes* and dues for each arpent in front by forty in depth. That he shall leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except those which the Sieur LeBer de Senneville may require for his own fisheries; and in case His Majesty should hereafter require any portion of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works, and for firewood for the garrison of the said Forts, with out being bound to pay any compensation therefor; and His Majesty also reserves to himself the right of taking from the said grant, the oak, masts, and generally all the timber which may be fit for the construction and equipment of his ships, also without being bound to pay any compensation for the same; His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above set forth without any exceptions whatever on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, I am commanded by him to issue the present Letters Patents, which shall be enregistered in the office of the Superior Council of Quebec; His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and to have them countersigned by me, the Keeper of the Seals of France, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS,
(Signed,) MACHAULT.

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*Ratification of the grant of the Post de la Baie, in favor of the Sieur Rigaud de Vaudreuil and his wife.*

Dated 15th January, 1760.

Extract from the French Register of Enregistrations, Letter B, page 476.

This fifteenth day of January, one thousand seven hundred and sixty, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify a grant made on the fifteenth of October, one thousand seven hundred and fifty-nine, by the Marquis de Vaudreuil, Governor and Lieutenant General of New France, and the Sieur Bigot, Intendant of the said country to the

Seigniory of St. Denis, on one side to the north east, at the line of the heirs of the late Sieur de St. Ours, and on the other side, to the south west, adjoining the unconceded lands, in order that the said augmentation, both in front and in depth, may form, with the said seigniory, one and the same seigniory, His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant, his pleasure being that the said Sieur de Contrecœur, his heirs or assigns, shall forever enjoy the said lands as their own property, as a fief and seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of hunting, fishing and trading with the Indians throughout the whole extent of the said grant, according to and in conformity with the title thereto granted by the Sieurs de la Jonquière and Bigot, without being bound, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty, or to the Kings his successors, any money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to him, to whatever sum they may amount; on condition that he shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said fief shall be held, and on payment of the other dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; that the appeals from the Judge who shall be established there shall lie before the Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition also, that he shall preserve and cause his tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's ships; that he shall disclose to His Majesty, or to the Governor and Intendant of the said country, the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be in the said grant; that he shall improve it, and keep and cause the tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be reunited to His Majesty's domain; that he shall leave the necessary roads for the public use, and also leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except such parts thereof as he shall require for his own fisheries; and, in case His Majesty should hereafter require any parts of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works, without being bound to pay any compensation therefor, His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above set forth, without any exception, on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And, in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, I am commanded by him to issue the present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the Office of the Superior Council of Quebec, His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same and to have them countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State, and of his Commands and Finance.

(Thus signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down, ROUILLÉ.

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*Ratification of a grant behind Chateauguay and the Sault Saint Louis in favor of the Sieur Jean Bte. LeBer de Senneville.*

Dated the 1st September, 1754.

Extract from the French register of Enreg. Letter A. page 223.

This first day of September, one thousand seven hundred and fifty-four, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify a grant made on the twentieth of April, one thousand seven hundred and fifty, by the Marquis de la Jonquière, Governor and Lieutenant General of New France, and the Sieur Bigot, Intendant of the said Country, to the Sieur Jean-Baptiste LeBer de Senneville, Ensign of Infantry in the troops stationed in the said Country, of an extent of land, situate at the end of the depth of the Seigniories of the Sault Saint Louis and of Chateauguay, enclosed between the Seigniory of Ville Chauve and that of la Prairie de la Magdeleine, by a league and a half in depth, as a Fief and Seigniory, with superior, mean and inferior jurisdiction,

and the right of fishing, hunting and trading with the Indians; His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant; his pleasure being that the Sieur Le-Ber de Senneville, his heirs or assigns, shall enjoy the extent of land above described, for ever as their own property, as a Fief and Seigniory, with superior mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of fishing, hunting and trading with the Indians throughout the whole extent of the said grant, according to and in conformity with the title which was granted therefor by the said Sieurs de la Jonquière and Bigot, without being bound, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty or to the Kings his successors any money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to him, to whatever sum they may amount, on condition that he shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said Fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; that the appeals from the Judge who shall be established there, shall lie before the Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition also that he shall preserve and cause his tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's ships; that he shall disclose to His Majesty or to the Governor and Intendant of the said Country the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be in the said grant; that he shall improve it and keep and cause his tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be re-united to His Majesty's Domain; that he shall leave the necessary roads for the public use, and that he shall cause like conditions to be inserted in the concessions which he may grant to his tenants, subject to the payment of the customary *cens*, *rentes* and dues for each arpent in front by forty in depth. That he shall leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except those which the Sieur LeBer de Senneville may require for his own fisheries; and in case His Majesty should hereafter require any portion of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works, and for firewood for the garrison of the said Forts, with out being bound to pay any compensation therefor; and His Majesty also reserves to himself the right of taking from the said grant, the oak, masts, and generally all the timber which may be fit for the construction and equipment of his ships, also without being bound to pay any compensation for the same; His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above set forth without any exceptions whatever on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, I am commanded by him to issue the present Letters Patents, which shall be enregistered in the office of the Superior Council of Quebec; His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and to have them countersigned by me, the Keeper of the Seals of France, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,) LOUIS,
(Signed,) MACHAULT.

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Dated 15th January, 1760.

Extract from the French Register of Enregistrations, Letter B, page 476.

This fifteenth day of January, one thousand seven hundred and sixty, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify a grant made on the fifteenth of October, one thousand seven hundred and fifty-nine, by the Marquis de Vaudreuil, Governor and Lieutenant General of New France, and the Sieur Bigot, Intendant of the said country to the

Sieur Rigaud de Vaudreuil, Governor of Montreal, and to his wife, of the Post de la Baye, according to its limits, within which are comprised the River Lamanerli, on the Michilimakinac side, Lafolavoine, La Baye des Puans, the Sakis, the Sioux, at the upper part of the Mississipi, and all the rivers which fall into it; Melouki, and the small lake along the Michigan, the River à la Roche, inhabited by the Puans and Sacs, the river of the Moinogonans, and the Outaouais who live along the upper part of the river of the Kikapoux; to hold to the said Sieur Rigaud de Vaudreuil and his wife, during their life-time, with the privilege of trading with the Indians to the exclusion of all others, and of placing the establishments and making the improvements which they may think necessary for the good of the said Post; on the condition that the said Sieur and Dle. Rigaud de Vaudreuil, shall provide the different places of the said Post, with goods and other necessaries for the Indians who reside there; that each year they shall pay three thousand *livres* to the commandant whom the Governor General shall appoint to the said Post, the salary of the interpreter and others which may be thought necessary by the said Governor General; that they shall also make at their own cost and expense, such present to the Indians of the said Post, as they may deem proper, and finally that they shall pay all the other expenses which may arises for the maintainance of the same, without for His Majesty's becoming liable for any expenses occasioned thereby; and further, that after the decease of the said Sieur and Dame Rigaud de Vaudreuil, the said Post de la Baye, with its dependencies, shall return to His Majesty, together with all the establishments, clèarings and generally all the works which are or may be done by them upon the said dependencies during the time of their enjoyment thereof, without its becoming binding, by reason thereof, or His Majesty to reimburse any amount on any pretence or for any reason whatsoever. His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed and doth ratify and confirm the said grant of the fifteenth day of October, one thousand seven hundred and fifty-nine, made by the said Governor General and Intendant of New France, to the Sieur and Dame Rigaud de Vaudreuil, in order that they may, during their life time, enjoy the different objects therein and above mentioned. His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be carried into execution and that it shall be subject to the conditions above set forth without any exception on any pretext whatsoever. And in testimony of His Majesty's will, I am commanded by him to issue the present Letters Patent, which shall be enregistered in the office of the Superior Council of Quebec, His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, of his and to have them countersigned by me, his Councillor, Secretary of State and Commands and Finance.

(Signed) LOUIS.
(Countersigned) BERYER.

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